

RESOLUTION NO. R 009 71

WHEREAS, certain areas of the County are subject to periodic flooding from the Atlantic Ocean causing serious damage to residential properties within these areas; and

WHEREAS, relief is available in the form of flood insurance as authorized by the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 as amended; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this Council to comply with land use and management criteria regulations as required in said Act; and

WHEREAS, it is also the intent of this Council to recognize and duly evaluate flood hazards in all official actions relating to land use in the flood plain areas having special flood hazards; and

WHEREAS, this Council has the authority in accordance with provisions of the County Reorganization Bill, designated as Senate Bill 702 prior to its codification to adopt land use and control measures,

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED that this Council hereby assures the Federal Insurance Administration that it will take legislative action as follows:

(1) Enact by December 31, 1971 and maintain in force for these areas, adequate land use and control measures with effective enforcement provisions consistent with the criteria set forth in Sub-part B of Section 1910 of the National Flood Insurance Regulations,

(2) If necessary, seek State enabling legislation conferring authority to enact land use and control measures designed to reduce the exposure of property to flood loss; and

(3) Take such other official action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the objectives of the program. Such actions will include but not limited to:

(a) Assisting the Federal Insurance Administrator, at his request, in delineating the limits of the flood hazard on available local maps of sufficient scale to identify the location of building sites.

(b) After flood insurance is made available, furnishing representatives of appropriate Federal or State agencies of the National Flood Insurance Association information, as requested, concerning new or substantially improved structures within the area of special flood hazard. This information will include flood elevations and, if there is a basement, the distance between the first floor and the bottom of the lowest opening where water flowing on the ground will enter.

(c) Cooperating with Federal, State and local agencies which undertake to study, survey, map and identify flood-prone areas as well as cooperation with neighboring jurisdictions with respect to adjoining flood plains in order to prevent aggravation of the flooding problem.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF SUSSEX COUNTY ON THE 2ND DAY OF MARCH, 1971.