

RESOLUTION NO. R 033 77

WHEREAS, the winter of 1976-1977 in Sussex County, Delaware was unusually dry and cold; and

WHEREAS, the spring and summer weather of 1977 has not provided sufficient precipitation for the proper growth of grain and vegetable crops in Sussex County, Delaware; and

WHEREAS, an emergency meeting was held Monday, August 29, 1977 with Sussex County officials and members of the U. S. D. A. County Emergency Board, and information was provided to those persons in attendance at this emergency meeting indicating that over seventy-five (75) percent of the farms in Sussex County have been seriously affected by this long drought; and

WHEREAS, the Sussex County Council has been informed by letter dated August 29, 1977, from the U. S. D. A. County Emergency Board, of the serious financial consequences to individuals employed in the agricultural industry in Sussex County; and

WHEREAS, Sussex County is economically dependent on the agricultural industry located here,

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Sussex County Council on this thirtieth day of August, 1977 that this Council requests the Honorable Pierre S. du Pont IV, Governor of the State of Delaware, to make every effort available to his office in the obtaining of whatever assistance that can be made available to the Sussex County agricultural industry through the United States Department of Agriculture including, but not limited to, declaring of Sussex County as a disaster area; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Honorable Pierre S. du Pont IV, Governor of the State of Delaware; the Honorable William V. Roth, Jr., United States Senator; the Honorable Joseph R. Biden, Jr., United States Senator; the Honorable Thomas B. Evans, Jr., United States Congressman; the

Honorable William E. McDaniel, Acting Secretary of Agriculture,
Lieutenant Colonel James McCloskey, Director of State Emergency
Planning and Operations Division; and Donald W. Campbell, Chairman
of the U. S. D. A. County Emergency Board.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY
OF RESOLUTION NO. R 033 77 PASSED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF SUSSEX
COUNTY ON THE 30TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1977.


EMOGENE P. ELLIS
CLERK OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL