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Resolution authorizing the Milwaukee Fire Department to participate in the Wisconsin Mutual Aid Box Alarm System.

This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Fire Department to participate in the Wisconsin Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS). The State of Wisconsin has adopted MABAS as the standard of emergency management response for fire, rescue and emergency medical services. The adoption of this resolution will allow the Milwaukee Fire Department and the City of Milwaukee to participate in an intergovernmental cooperation agreement for the purposes of public safety.

Whereas, Section 66.0301 (formerly Section 66.30), Wis. Stats., authorizes Wisconsin municipalities to contract with other municipalities for the receipt or furnishing of services, such as fire protection and emergency medical services; and

Whereas, Section 166.30 Wisconsin Statutes allows Wisconsin to enter into interstate agreements for mutual assistance, including supplementary agreements that include provisions for evacuation and reception of injured and other persons and the exchange of medical, fire, police, public utility, reconnaissance, welfare, transportation and communications personnel, equipment and supplies; and

Whereas, An agreement was drafted to provide a Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) for municipalities providing fire protection and emergency medical services and has been entered into by the counties of Kenosha, Walworth, Rock and parts of Green, Dane, Waukesha, Milwaukee and Jefferson counties in Wisconsin and Lake, McHenry, Boone, Winnebago and Cook counties in Illinois; and

Whereas, The MABAS agreement was also approved by the Governor of the State of Wisconsin; and

Whereas, The City of Milwaukee Common Council believes that intergovernmental cooperation for the purposes of public safety and protection should be encouraged and that the MABAS Agreement would afford these benefits to city residents by coordinating fire protection and emergency medical services in the event of a large scale emergency, natural disaster, or man-made catastrophe; and

Whereas, Part of MABAS includes written instructions for dispatchers to expedite delivery of services where mutual aid is required; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee that the Milwaukee Fire Department is

authorized to participate in the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS); and, be it

Further Resolved, That the appropriate City officials are hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement on behalf of the City.

MILWAUKEE FIRE DEPARTMENT

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