

Township of West Milford

Passaic County, New Jersey

~ Resolution 2020 – 215 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE WEST MILFORD TOWNSHIP OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

WHEREAS, many communities are establishing Community Emergency Response Teams (“CERT”) in order to educate residents about disaster preparation and providing residents with training in basic disaster response skills such as fire safety, search and rescue, team organization and disaster medical operations. This training provides CERT members with the ability to assist their families, co-workers and communities in the event of a disaster; and

WHEREAS, a successful CERT program involves commitment by the residents, local government, emergency management and response agencies such as police, fire and first aid squad personnel; and

WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford intends to establish a Community Emergency Response Team; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Management Coordinator and Deputy Coordinator has met to discuss the advantages and procedures for forming a “CERT” for West Milford Township; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Management Coordinator and Deputy Coordinator has also met with other local communities who have an established “CERT” program to review the formation process; and

WHEREAS, the West Milford Township Governing Body supports the establishment of a local CERT program within the township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and the Governing Body of the Township of West Milford hereby agree to establish the West Milford Township “CERT” under the direction of the West Milford Township Office of Emergency Management.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED as part of the initial actions necessary to form the CERT, the Office of Emergency Management shall develop a management and operations plan as well as a budget including proposed funding sources which will be subject to review and approval by the Township Governing Body to the extent that any funds are to be expended by the Township.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Adopted: July 8, 2020

Adopted this 8th day of July, 2020
and certified as a true copy of an original.

William Senande, Township Clerk