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**CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER, MARYLAND
RESOLUTION NO. 08-2017**

**CREATING THE MOUNT RAINIER
COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT)**

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of Mount Rainier, MD recognizes the need for enhanced emergency response resources in the wake of recent, unprecedented, natural disasters in the state of Maryland and the likelihood that such events will increasingly occur; and

WHEREAS, first responders to such natural disasters and other emergencies must often address overwhelming circumstances in emergency situations; and

WHEREAS, the Federal government has established the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program under its Citizen Corps, a subsidiary of the USA Freedom Corps created by Executive Order 13254 in 2002; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of Mount Rainier, MD has the authority to establish a CERT that can be trained to help first responders and address various needs in the community in the event of an emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Federal government offers resources to assist in the establishment and maintenance of a CERT team, including Federal grants through the Department of Homeland Security which fund CERT councils in each County which provides materials for training and certification of CERT team members; and

WHEREAS, Mount Rainier a coordinator or a Mayoral appointee designated, to establish and oversee a CERT team; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Governing Body of Mount Rainier, MD of Prince George's County in the State of Maryland will establish, oversee and will include a line item in its budget of \$2,500 to support the training and continued existence of the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the CERT will consist of no less than five (5) members with at least two of those members fully trained in all required CERT classes, and the remaining members meet the following criteria within timeframes stated to remain a viable CERT in good standings in Mount Rainier; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the CERT will meet and train regularly or as necessary to be prepared to handle most emergencies that may occur in Mount Rainier and other jurisdictions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that newly appointed CERT members must receive the following CERT training within six months of being appointed to the CERT:

- Twenty (20) hours of CERT training from Prince George's County or another reputable source
- CPR, AED, and Safety (adult and infant)
- IS-1 Emergency Manager: An Orientation to the Position
- IS-100 Introduction to the Incident Command System
- IS-200 Basic Incident Command System for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents
- IS-230 Fundamentals of Emergency Management; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that newly appointed CERT members must receive the following CERT training within twelve months of being appointed to the CERT

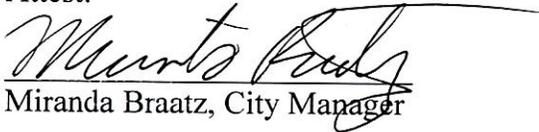
- IS-700 NIMS, An Introduction
- IS-800 National Response Framework, An Introduction
- IS-235 Emergency Planning; and

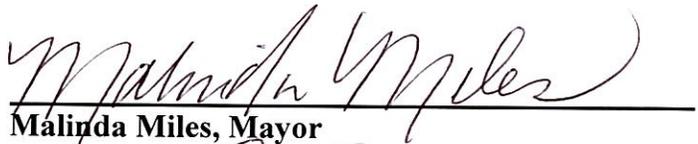
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that appointees to the CERT failing to meet these requirements may be removed by the Mayor and Council of Mount Rainier, MD;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the CERT will remain active and operable in coordination with the Prince George's County Emergency Preparedness Center and Prince George's Homeland Security Operation.

THIS RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNT RAINIER THIS 7th DAY OF MARCH, 2017.

Attest:


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