ORDINANCE NO. 10 – 04 ADOPTION OF NCC MULTI-JURISDITIONAL ALL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

Introduced by: Councilwoman Karen Jennings Introduced on: April 7, 2010

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, TOWN OF TOWNSEND, DELAWARE RELATING TO THE ADOPTION OF THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY (NCC) HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, as amended, requires that local governments develop and adopt natural hazard mitigation plans in order to receive pre- and post disaster assistance, and it is permissible by 44 CFR Part 201 that local municipalities may adopt the County mitigation plan as their jurisdiction's mitigation plan, and;

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Town Council to fulfill its obligation and become eligible to receive Federal and State assistance in the event of a declared disaster affecting the Town of Townsend, and

WHEREAS, New Castle County has developed and adopted a Multi-Jurisdictional All Hazard Mitigation Plan with input from the municipalities located within New Castle County through the County Hazard Mitigation Advisory Committee, public meetings and a contractor hired to perform updates to the plan. The Plan describes many of the natural hazards that may be encountered within the County, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Townsend has developed a separate set of Hazard Mitigation Strategies that are appropriate for our municipality.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF TOWNSEND (a majority of the members elected thereto concurring therein):

Section 1. That the Code of Ordinances, Town of Townsend, Delaware is hereby amended by adding a new article and section to appear in Chapter 2 thereof to be numbered 2-200, which said section shall read as follows:

ARTICLE VII. ALL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

Sec. 2-100. All Hazard Mitigation Plan.

That a certain document, three copies of which are on file on the office of the town clerk of the Town of Townsend, being marked and designated as the New Castle County All Hazard Mitigation Plan of January 6, 2010 be and is hereby adopted into law to prepare for, respond to and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of cause, size, or complexity and to do so with an approach that is consistent with other state local and Federal agencies. Further, Town Council is authorized to develop a separate set of Hazard Mitigation Strategies specific to the unique needs of its constituents, such provisions to be updated and revised by Town Council as needed and to be maintained on file along with the adopted All Hazard Mitigation Plan of 2010.

SYNOPSIS

This Act adopts the Emergency Operations Plan of 2009 consistent with the National Incident Management System (NIMS) developed and administered by the Department of Homeland Security to enhance preparedness and implement uniform procedures for responding to disasters and domestic incidents.

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Signed by:_

Mayor of Townsend