

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS  
DISTRICT #13  
TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL**

**RESOLUTION #23-05-15-02**

Meeting Date: May 15, 2023

First Reading: May 15, 2023

Adopted: **MAY 15 2023**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MEMBERSHIP IN A MUTUAL AID AND ASSISTANCE  
AGREEMENT WITH PARTICIPATING UNITS FOR FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, mutual aid and assistance agreements between municipalities, counties, law enforcement agencies, police, Emergency Medical Service, fire departments, fire companies or EMS organizations and fire departments situated in fire districts operated by a Board of Fire Commissioners, are permitted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 14-26 and 40A: 14-156.1; and

**WHEREAS**, the President in Homeland Security Directive (HSPD- 5), directed the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System (NIMS), which would provide a consistent nationwide approach to Federal, State, local and tribal governments to work together more effectively and efficiently to prevent, prepare for, respond to and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of cause, size or complexity; and

**WHEREAS**, "The New Jersey Civilian Defense and Disaster Control Act" App.A9-33 et. seq, provides for the health, safety and welfare of the people of the State of New Jersey during any emergency by centralizing control of all civilian activities having to do with such emergency giving the Governor control over the resources of each and every political subdivision to cope with any condition that shall arise out of such emergency, and

**WHEREAS**, The Director of the Division of Fire Safety in the Department of Community Affairs promulgated rules in accordance with the "Fire Service Resource Emergency Deployment Act," N.J.A.C. 52:14E-11 et. seq., commonly referred to as the "Fire Service Resource Emergency Deployment Regulations" N.J.A.C. 5:75A et. seq., and

**WHEREAS**, it is deemed to be in the best interests of the residents of this municipality and/or fire district to enter into a mutual aid and assistance agreement with the County of Burlington and other municipalities including, but not limited to, municipal police, Emergency Medical Service or fire departments, volunteer fire companies or EMS organizations and/or fire districts to provide additional protection against loss, damage or destruction by fire, catastrophe, civil unrest, major emergency or other extraordinary devastation damage or destruction to person and property, in those situations when outside aid and assistance is needed.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Fire Commissioners of Cherry Hill Fire District #13, Township of Cherry Hill, County of Camden, State of New Jersey as follows:

- A. That the Cherry Hill Fire Department, Fire District #13, 1100 Markkress Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003 is hereby authorized and directed to enter into the Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement with the Independent Fire Company No. 1, a/k/a/ The Maple Shade Fire Department, Pennsauken Fire Department Engine, 5301 Lexington Ave., Pennsauken NJ 08110, and the Merchantville Fire Department, 22 East Park Ave., Merchantville, NJ 08109 a copy of which is attached hereto and made part hereof, on the terms and conditions contained herein.

- B. That Cherry Hill Fire Department Fire Chief Wade J. Houlihan, Maple Shade Fire Department Chief, Andrew Simonsick, Sr., Pennsauken Fire Department Chief Jonathan B. Hutton, and Merchantville Fire Chief Kevin Patti, of the respective Fire Departments are hereby authorized and directed to execute said Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement on behalf of the municipalities.
- C. That the Fire District Clerk and/or Municipal Clerk in each municipality is hereby authorized and directed to forthwith file a certified copy of this Resolution and an executed copy of the Agreement with the Burlington County Department of Public Safety Services, Office of Emergency Management. Said Office shall serve as the central repository and shall maintain a master listing of all Participating Units to the Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement.

The following Resolution #23-05-15-02 and it was seconded by Commissioner

was introduced by Commissioner . Motion carried.

Doran  
Kelly  
Lipsett  
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	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
DORAN				X
KELLY	X			
LIPSETT	X			
MCCARGO	X			
MULHOLLAND	X			

**Certification**

I, John J. Mulholland, Jr., Clerk of the Board of Fire Commissioner, Fire District #13, Township of Cherry Hill, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution #23-05-15-02 was duly adopted by the Commissioners at the meeting held on May 15, 2023.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

JOHN J. MULHOLLAND, JR.  
CLERK, B.O.F.C DIST #13

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