RESOLUTION 60-12

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MEMBERSHIP IN A MUTUAL AID AND ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT WITH PARTICIPATING UNITS

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 N.J.S.A. 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. A-9-33 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. 52:14 & 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 to enter into a mutual aid and assistance agreement with the County of Gloucester 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 Borough/Municipality of the County of Gloucester that:

1. The Mayor and Borough/Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute and directed to enter into the Gloucester County Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement between Participating Units, a copy of which: is attached hereto and made part hereof, on the terms and conditions contained herein.

2. The Mayor and Borough/Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute said Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement on behalf of the County of Gloucester.

3. The Clerk of the Borough/Municipality is hereby authorized and directed to forthwith file a certified copy of this Resolution and an executed copy of the Agreement with the Gloucester County Department of Emergency Response, 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.

ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Clayton, which was held on February 9, 2012.

BOROUGH OF CLAYTON

ATTEST:

Christine Newcomb

CHRISTINE NEWCOMB, Clerk

THOMAS BIANCO, Mayor

Anthony J. Saban

Anthony Saban, Council Pres.