

CITY OF LAKE ELMO
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA

RESOLUTION 2005 – 134
ADOPTING AND PROMOTING THE USE OF INTRASTATE MUTUAL-AID
AGREEMENTS

WHEREAS, Chapter 12, Section 12.331 allows for Intrastate Mutual Aid, and direct, timely assistance between jurisdictions is critical; and

WHEREAS, the possibility of the occurrence of natural and other disasters of major size and destructiveness exists and is increasing; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to ensure that preparations of **City of Lake Elmo** will be adequate to deal with disasters; generally protect the public peace, health, and safety; and preserve the lives and property of the people of the state; and

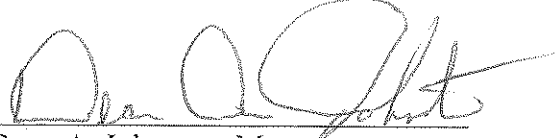
WHEREAS, it is necessary to provide for the rendering of mutual aid among the political subdivisions of the state and to cooperate with the federal government with respect to carrying out emergency management functions; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of Minnesota that all emergency response functions of this state be coordinated to the maximum extent with the comparable functions of the state government, including its various departments and agencies, of other states and localities, and of private agencies of every type, to the end that the most effective preparations and uses may be made of the state's labor supply, resources, and facilities for dealing with any disaster that may occur; and

WHEREAS, the director of each local organization for emergency management may, in collaboration with other public and private agencies within this state, develop or cause to be developed mutual-aid arrangements for reciprocal emergency management aid and assistance in an emergency or disaster too great to be dealt with unassisted. These arrangements must be consistent with the local emergency operations plan and, in time of emergency, each local organization for emergency management and its members shall render assistance in accordance with the provisions of the mutual-aid arrangements; and

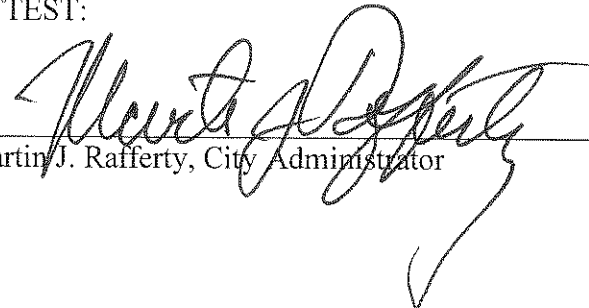
NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that **City of Lake Elmo** promotes the efficiency and effectiveness of intrastate mutual aid by designating the City Administrator of Lake Elmo, Washington County, who, exercising discretion and considering the needs of the political subdivision and its inhabitants, to dispatch equipment and personnel as considered necessary if a danger of fire, hazard, casualty, or another similar occurrence exists outside the political subdivision and by its suddenness it would be impractical for the governing body of **City of Lake Elmo** itself to authorize the dispatch of equipment and personnel to combat that emergency or disaster.

ADOPTED, by the Lake Elmo City Council on the 6th day of December, 2005.



Dean A. Johnston, Mayor

ATTEST:



Martin J. Rafferty, City Administrator