DECLARATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on or about date a (disaster) has caused or threatens to cause injury, damage, and suffering to the persons and property of name of municipality; and

WHEREAS, the (disaster) has endangered the health, safety and welfare of a substantial number of persons residing in name of municipality, and threatens to create problems greater in scope than name of municipality may be able to resolve; and

WHEREAS, emergency management measures are required to reduce the severity of this disaster and to protect the health, safety and welfare of affected residents in name of municipality:

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the undersigned Commissioners/Supervisors/Mayor of name of municipality, pursuant to the provisions of Section 7501 of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Services Code, (35 PA C.S., Section 7501), as amended, do hereby proclaim the existence of a disaster emergency in name of municipality.

FURTHER, we direct the name of municipality Emergency Management Coordinator

to coordinate the activities of the emergency response, to take all appropriate action needed to alleviate the effects of this disaster, to aid in the restoration of essential public services, and to take any other emergency response action deemed necessary to respond to this emergency.

STILL FURTHER, we authorize officials of name of municipality to act as necessary to meet the current demands of this emergency, namely: by the employment of temporary workers, by the rental of equipment, by the purchase of supplies and materials, and by entering into such contracts and agreements for the performance of public work as may be required to meet the emergency, all without regard to those time-consuming procedures and formalities normally prescribed by law, mandatory constitutional requirements excepted.

This Proclamation shall take effect immediately.

(COMMISSIONERS/SUPERVISORS/MAYOR/COUNCIL)

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(Chairman/President/Mayor) (member)

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(Vice Chairman/President) (member)

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(Secretary)

(member)

Attest:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(10-25-12 - from Dave Fenton, Lehigh County Emergency Mgmt.)

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**If you can't find what you're looking for…new ordinance files are constantly being added to this site. However, there may be instances where we do not currently have what you are looking for. If you can't find a specific ordinance, try submitting a request for one. Click on the Ordinance Request link, fill out the form and click on submit. After receiving your request, we will try to locate a sample ordinance for you.**