RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (SAFER) GRANT APPLICATION BY THE CITY OF BEACON

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), is offering grants to municipal fire departments in order to assist in increasing the number of firefighters to help communities meet industry minimum standards and attain 24-hour staffing to provide adequate protection from fire and fire-related hazards, and to fulfill traditional missions of fire departments, and

WHEREAS, the objective of the SAFER grant program is to assist local fire departments with staffing and deployment capabilities to respond to emergencies and assure that communities have adequate protection from fire and fire-related hazards, and

WHEREAS, the City of Beacon's Fire Department has determined that it requires at least three (3) additional career members in order to meet current National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standards, and

WHEREAS, the City of Beacon's Fire Department desires to apply for and obtain a grant to hire three (3) new, additional firefighters to improve staffing levels in order to meet NFPA minimum standards, and

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED,

1) that the **CITY OF BEACON** does hereby authorize the application for such a grant; and,

2) the **CITY OF BEACON** authorizes the expenditure of the required cost share for this grant opportunity (Year 1: 25%, Year 2: 25%, Year 3: 65%), and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Beacon's City Council that the Beacon Fire Department is hereby authorized to submit a SAFER Grant Application to FEMA, and upon approval of said grant request, to enter into and execute a project agreement with FEMA for such financial assistance to the City of Beacon; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the aforementioned potential grant agreement is subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and content.

(signature)

Randy Casale, Mayor - City of Beacon

CERTIFICATION:

I, Iola C. Taylor, the clerk of the City of Beacon hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council on (______) the above *RESOLUTION* was duly adopted.

AFFIX GOV'T, CORPORATE OR NOTARY SEAL

(signature) City Clerk