RESOLUTION 2011-13 Resolution to Adopt the National Incident Management System (NIMS)

WHEREAS, in Homeland Security Directive HSPD-5, the President 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 for 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, it is necessary and desirable that all Federal, State, local and tribal emergency agencies and personnel coordinate their efforts to effectively and efficiently provide the highest levels of incident management; and

WHEREAS, to facilitate the most efficient and effective incident management it is critical that Federal, State, local, and tribal organizations utilize standard terminology; standard organizational structures; interoperable communications; consolidated action plans; unified command structures; uniform personnel qualification standards; uniform standards for planning, training and exercising; comprehensive resource management and designated incident facilities during emergencies or disasters; and

WHEREAS, the NIMS standardized procedures for managing personnel, communications, facilities and resources will improve the ability to utilize federal funding to enhance local and state agency readiness, maintain first responder safety and streamline incident management process; and

WHEREAS, the Incident Command System components of NIMS are already an integral part of various incident management activities throughout the County, including current emergency management training programs; and

WHEREAS, the National Commission of Terrorist Attacks (911 Commission) recommended adoption of a standardized Incident Command System.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Perdido Beach does hereby establish the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as the standard for incident management for the Town of Perdido Beach, Alabama.

Adopted by the Town Council on the 25th day of August, 2011 in regular session assembled and under the Seal of the Town of Perdido Beach.

Patsy W. Parker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lynn Thompson, Town Clerk