

RESOLUTION 2012-564

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, PERMITTING THE TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT TO ALLOW BARNEGAT RESIDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT) PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Hurricane Sandy was an extraordinary event which caused considerable property damage and significant interruption of daily activities for many residents of the Township of Barnegat, and

WHEREAS, the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) was developed and implemented by the Los Angeles Fire Department in 1985 in order to properly train citizens, private and government employees to respond to various emergency situations, and

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) realized the importance of preparing citizens to safely respond to major emergency events such as large scale natural disasters, where first responders will be not able to meet the overwhelming demand for assistance, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Ocean established a CERT program in 2000 to supplement the ability of the Township to prepare for, respond to, and to recover from emergency situations, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Ocean CERT team furnished staffing for shelter management services for the joint emergency shelter for Ocean and Barnegat Townships during Hurricanes Irene and Sandy, and this volunteer organization has proved to be a vital part of the Township Emergency Management Operations Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Barnegat and the Township of Ocean have many meaningful shared service agreements in place and even share many services during times of crisis and the existing members of the Township of Ocean CERT Team have requested to allow additional members to join the team; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Barnegat has agreed to allow Barnegat Township residents to fully participate in the Township of Ocean Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program since the two (2) communities have a strong working relationship that has a proven track record of success, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Township of Barnegat, County of Barnegat, State of New Jersey, of the following:

1. The Township authorizes the Township Administrator and other appropriate Township officials to take the required action to institute the intent of this resolution and to incorporate the desired benefits of the resolution into the daily operations of the Township.
2. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded by the Township Clerk to the following:
 - (a) Honorable Dennis F. Tredy, Mayor of Ocean Township
 - (b) Honorable Al Cirulli, Mayor Barnegat Township
 - (c) David Breeden, Ocean Township Administrator
 - (d) Greg McGuckin, Ocean Township Attorney
 - (e) Jerry Dasti, Barnegat Township Attorney
 - (f) Township of Ocean Emergency Management Team
 - (g) Township of Barnegat Emergency Management Team

CERTIFICATION

I, Sharon L. Auer, Acting Municipal Clerk of the Township of Barnegat, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Township Committee of said Township at their meeting held on the 19th day of November, 2012, in the Municipal Court Room, 900 West Bay Avenue, Barnegat, New Jersey



Sharon L. Auer
Acting Municipal Clerk