

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Martinsville acknowledges the importance of Community Resilience and Hazard Mitigation to protect the lives and livelihoods of our residents and ensure rapid recovery from hazard events; and,

WHEREAS, Martinsville has participated in the Alliance for National and Community Resilience (ANCR) benchmarking process, recognizing many of our existing policies and processes help to make us a resilient community; and,

WHEREAS, through the resilience benchmarking process Martinsville has identified potential improvements and enhancements to advance its resilience including development of a budget guideline to ensure resilience considerations; and,

WHEREAS, Martinsville recognizes that a resilient city is delivered through the collaboration of city, public, private, academic, and nonprofit constituencies to develop and implement short- and long-term resilience goals including rapid recovery from hazard events, and,

WHEREAS, the policies, processes, and strategies leading to resilience will need to balance economic considerations with achievement of the goal, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Martinsville that (1) the City commits to public education of its citizens, businesses, and partners on available technologies, strategies, and resources for enhancing resilience in the built environment; (2) that Martinsville will strive to achieve an Exceptional designation under the ANCR Community Resilience Benchmarks by 2030; (3) that Martinsville will continue to fund and execute its current projects not limited to critical facilities, programs, and priorities that promote resilience within the community to maintain and improve its baseline towards the 2030 goal; and (4) that Martinsville will review, propose, and consider the adoption of policies and partnerships to further enhance community resilience in the next decade.

Adopted by the Council of the City of Martinsville this 27th day of April, 2021.

Kathy Lawson, Mayor

Attest: Karen Roberts, Clerk of Council