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University of West Florida Board of Trustees

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT TO SIGN A CONTRACT ON BEHALF OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WEST FLORIDA BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE STATEWIDE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the State of Florida is vulnerable to a wide range of disasters that are likely to cause the disruption of essential services and the destruction of the infrastructure needed to deliver those services and;

WHEREAS, such disasters are likely to exceed the capability of any one local government to cope with the disaster with existing resources and;

WHEREAS, the Emergency Management Act, as amended, gives the local governments of the State the authority to make agreements for mutual assistance in emergencies, and through such agreements to ensure the timely reimbursement of costs incurred by the local governments which render such assistance; and

WHEREAS, under the Act the Department of Community Affairs, State of Florida, through its Division of Emergency Management has authority to coordinate assistance between local governments during emergencies and to concentrate available resources where needed and;

WHEREAS, the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement, originally open only to counties and municipalities, was expanded in July of 2000 to include independent special districts and educational districts and;

WHEREAS, this agreement is the best way to supplement emergency assistance to protect the health and safety of the residents within an impacted area and is a cost effective way to obtain resources quickly and;

WHEREAS, the Division of Emergency Management is requesting the University of West Florida participate in the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT DECLARED that the officer listed below by name or title is authorized to execute the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement.

Dr. Morris L. Marx President, University of West Florida

BE IT RESOLVED that Dr. Morris Marx as university president is authorized to sign a contract on behalf of the University of West Florida Board of Trustees to participate in the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement.

J. Collier Merrill
Chair, University of West Florida Board of Trustee

March 15, 2002
Date

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