

**Resolution of the Demarest Governing Body**

**Resolution No. 044 -24**

**January 22, 2024**

| <b>Council Member</b> | <b>Motion</b> | <b>Second</b> | <b>Yes</b> | <b>No</b> | <b>Abstain</b> | <b>Absent</b> |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|------------|-----------|----------------|---------------|
| <b>Jiang</b>          |               |               |            |           |                | ✓             |
| <b>Fox</b>            |               | ✓             | ✓          |           |                |               |
| <b>Marks</b>          |               |               | ✓          |           |                |               |
| <b>Slowikowski</b>    | ✓             |               | ✓          |           |                |               |
| <b>Reiss</b>          |               |               | ✓          |           |                |               |
| <b>Collins</b>        |               |               | ✓          |           |                |               |

**TITLE: MUTUAL AID PLAN AND RAPID DEPLOYMENT FORCE  
INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT**

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**WHEREAS**, the police departments in Bergen County have a day-to-day responsibility to provide for the security of lives and property, for the maintenance and preservation of the public peace and order; and

**WHEREAS**, Law Enforcement Officials also have a responsibility to provide for preparedness against natural emergencies, such as floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, major storms, etc., man-made causes, civil unrest, and civil disobedience such as riot, strikes, jail or prison riots, train wrecks, aircraft crashes, major fires, ethnic disorders, riots, terrorist incidents and bombings, state and national emergencies; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bergen County Police Chiefs Association has proposed a Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force to deal with these emergencies; and

**WHEREAS**, this Plan is adopted in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A.40A:14-156, N.J.S.A.40A:14-156.1, N.J.S.A.40A:14-156.4, and N.J.S.A. App. A:9-40.6; and

**WHEREAS**, this Plan will provide a uniform procedure for the coordination of the requesting, dispatching, and utilization of law enforcement personnel and equipment whenever a local law enforcement agency requires mutual aid assistance from any other jurisdiction, both contiguous and non-contiguous, in the event of an emergency, riot or disorder in order to protect life and property; and

**WHEREAS**, it is also recognized that the Borough of Demarest Chief of Police, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118 and under the authority of the Bergen County Prosecutor, has the authority to assign officers to a Task Force, Rapid Deployment Team, or Regional SWAT Team, operated in conjunction with the

Bergen County Prosecutor's Office; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Demarest to participate in a Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force in accordance with the Plan as submitted by the Bergen County Police Chiefs Association and Prosecutors Office 2020-14;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Demarest that the Demarest Police Department, under the direction of the Chief of Police, cooperate with the Bergen County Police Chiefs Association to create an Interlocal Services Agreement with all municipalities in the County of Bergen in order to put into place the Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Executive, the Board of Chosen Freeholders, the County Prosecutor, the County Sheriff, the County Chief of Police, and all Bergen County Municipalities.

**APPROVED:**

  
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Mayor Brian Bernstein

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Julie Falkenstern, Acting Borough Clerk, of the Borough of Demarest, in the County of Bergen and the State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true copy of the original resolution duly passed and adopted by the Governing Body at the meeting on January 22, 2024

  
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Julie Falkenstern, Acting Borough Clerk