

Resolution Number 2014-4

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE NORTHEAST KANSAS (REGION K) MULTI-HAZARD, MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Wathena recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property within the city; and

**WHEREAS**, undertaking hazard mitigation actions will reduce the potential for harm to people and property from future hazard occurrences; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Congress passed the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 ("Disaster Mitigation Act") emphasizing the need for pre-disaster mitigation of potential hazards; and

**WHEREAS**, the Disaster Mitigation Act made available hazard mitigation grants to state and local governments; and

**WHEREAS**, an adopted Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan is required as a condition of future funding for mitigation projects under multiple Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) pre and post disaster mitigation grant programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Wathena fully participated in the FEMA prescribed mitigation planning process to prepare this Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, Kansas Division of Emergency Management and FEMA Region VII officials have reviewed the Northeast Kansas (Region K) Multi-Hazard, Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Wathena desires to comply with the requirements of the Disaster Mitigation Act and to augment its emergency planning efforts by formally adopting the Northeast Kansas (Region K) Multi-Hazard, Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

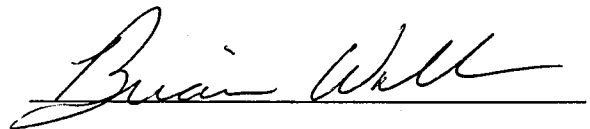
**WHEREAS**, adoption by the governing body for the City of Wathena demonstrates the jurisdiction's commitment to fulfilling the mitigation goals and objectives outlined in this plan; and

**WHEREAS**, adoption of this legitimizes the plan and authorizes responsible agencies to carry out their responsibilities under the plan; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the City of Wathena adopts the Northeast Kansas (Region K) Multi-Hazard, Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan as an official plan; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the City of Wathena will submit this Adoption Resolution to the Kansas Division of Emergency Management and FEMA Region VII officials to enable the plan's final approval.

**ADOPTED** this 15 day of September, 2014 at the meeting of the City Council of Wathena.



Brian Walker, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Jim Richardson, City Clerk