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Mr. A. A. Murray
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Dear Mr. Murray:

RE: Municipality of the County of Inverness - Emergency
Measures By-law

This by-law was adopted at a meeting of Inverness County Municipal Council held on September 25, 1986. The Minister responsible for the Emergency Measures Act and the Minister of Municipal Affairs have approved the by-law, with an amendment. I send you a copy bearing their approvals dated November 6 and November 26, 1986.

These two amendments were made by the Minister of Municipal Affairs in accordance with discussions between Mr. Coell, the Director of Emergency Measures Organization for the Province, and the Municipal Administrator. The first amendment inserts words that were inadvertently left out of clause (b) of Section 2 and the second amendment deletes the councillor representation on the Planning Committee of the Emergency Measures Organization for the Municipality. The councillor representation occurs at the Executive Committee level which determines policy and makes recommendations to Council. The Planning Committee, in Section 7, merely implements the policy as established by the Executive Committee and it is appropriate that this consist of heads of various operational units within the Municipality.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "F. Robertson".

F. Robertson (Mrs.)
Departmental Solicitor

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Enclosure
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MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF INVERNESS

EMERGENCY MEASURES BY-LAW

Adopted by Inverness Municipal Council on September 25, 1986

Recommended for approval with amendments.

FR Robertson

Fran Robertson
Departmental Solicitor

This Emergency Measures By-law which was adopted at a meeting of Inverness Municipal Council held on September 25, 1986, is approved, pursuant to Section 24 of the Municipal Affairs Act, with the following amendments:

1. Clause (b) of Section 2 is amended by inserting immediately after line two the following words "responsibilities in the event of a Civil disaster or".
2. Section 7 subsection (1) is amended by deleting item (e).

Dated at Halifax this 26th day of November, 1986.

David Nantes

David Nantes
Minister of Municipal Affairs

WHEREAS the Government of Canada has deemed it necessary to create a branch of government in the form of Emergency Planning Canada, to coordinate the duties and functions of those government departments and agencies which would have a responsibility in a civil disaster or war emergency;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Nova Scotia accordingly has deemed it desirable to cooperate with the Government of Canada in carrying out in respect of Nova Scotia its responsibility for the security, defence, peace, order and welfare of Canada in the event of real or apprehended war, invasion or insurrection, and as a consequence, has established a branch of government known as the Emergency Measures Organization, and is making provision for the continued functioning of civil government and government services in Nova Scotia in the event of an emergency caused by a real or apprehended war, invasion or insurrection, or by natural causes;

AND WHEREAS Chapter 87 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia 1967, provides that municipalities may establish a civil defence organization, and indicates the actions which may be taken by one or more municipalities to further civil emergency planning;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient to establish an Emergency Measures organization as a branch of municipal government to serve the Municipality of the County of Inverness;

THEREFORE the Council of the Municipality of the County of Inverness enacts as follows:

1. An Emergency Measures Organization is hereby established to be known as the Municipality of the County of Inverness Emergency Measures Organization hereinafter referred to as Municipal Emergency Measures Organization.
2. The purposes and objects of the Municipal Emergency Measures Organization with the cooperation of the provincial Emergency Measures Organization are as follows:
 - (a) to plan for the continuity of the physical operation of government of the Municipal unit and to establish plans for the cooperation and mutual assistance between municipal governments in the event of a civil disaster or war emergency.
 - (b) to coordinate the emergency plans of the municipal unit for departments and services having immediate ** add it in* war emergency, and to prepare plans for public survival;
 - (c) to work closely with other authorities of the municipal unit, neighbouring municipal units and provincial authorities who have been assigned to comparable duties;
 - (d) to conduct emergency measures familiarization courses for the training of personnel who have an emergency role;

- (e) to conduct a public self help education program related to nuclear and other types of warfare and natural emergencies;
 - (f) to carry out other similar work within the geographical area encompassed by the municipality.
3. The Municipal Emergency Measures Organization shall consist of two branches to be known as:
 - (a) The Executive Committee
 - (b) The Planning Committee
 4. The Executive Committee shall consist of the Warden and four Council members of the council appointed by the council by resolution of the annual meeting. The Council may fill any vacancies of the Executive Committee at its next meeting.
 5. The Executive Committee shall have the following duties, powers and responsibilities:
 - (a) to establish policy for the Municipal Emergency Measures Organization;
 - (b) to recommend to council, from time to time, by resolution of the Committee, the appointment of an Emergency Measures Coordinator for the Municipal Emergency Measures Organization and such other employees as may be required to assist the Emergency Measures Coordinator from wherever possible, within the municipal administration.
 - (c) subject to the approval of the council to name or assign such persons as it may deem advisable to provide key personnel to perform duties related to continuity of municipal government and public survival in the case of an emergency or disaster;
 - (d) to submit to council for inclusion in its annual estimates, estimates of expenditures for the operation and maintenance of the Municipal Emergency Measures Organization.
 6. The Emergency Measures Coordinator shall be the Chairman of the Planning Committee for:
 - (a) the implementation of the policy as formulated by the Executive Committee;
 - (b) the fulfillment of the "Purposes and Objects" as more particularly set out in Section 2 of this by law.
 - (c) the performance of other related duties as directed by the Executive Committee.
 7. 1. The Planning Committee shall consist of the following officers of the Municipality unit:

(a) Coordinator	(f) Fire Chief, Port Hood
(b) Building Inspector	(g) Police NCO, Inverness
(c) Director of Public Works	(h) Medical Health Officer
(d) Municipal Clerk	(i) Director Social Services
(e) Four Councillors	
 2. The Planning Committee may appoint one of its members or an employee of the Organization to act as Secretary.
 3. When a member of the Planning Committee is the employee of a Statutory Board or Commission or the Province, the consent of such Board or Commission or the Province shall be requested to make the appointment effective.

8. 1. The Planning Committee shall be responsible for coordinating or integrating plans for the continued functioning of municipal services which would be required in the event of emergency.
2. The Planning Committee shall, when policy decisions are required, submit the matter to the Executive Committee in the form of recommendations.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the foregoing by law is a true copy of a by law duly passed at a duly called meeting of the Municipal Council of the Municipality of the County of Inverness duly held on the 25th day of September A.D., 1986.

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EMERGENCY MEASURES ORGANIZATION	
Recommended for approval of the Minister	<i>[Signature]</i> Director
Approved on	<i>6th</i> day <i>November</i> 19 <i>86</i>
	<i>[Signature]</i> Minister of EMO (NS)