Resolution No.

**Lehigh Valley 2018 Hazard Mitigation Plan Update**

**Municipal Adoption Resolution**

***WHEREAS***, the City of Bethlehem, located in the Counties of Lehigh and Northampton, Pennsylvania is most vulnerable to natural and non-natural hazards which may result in loss of life and property, economic hardship, and threats to public health and safety, and

***WHEREAS***, Section 322 of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA 2000) requires State and local governments to develop and submit for approval to the President of the United States a mitigation plan that outlines processes for identifying their respective natural hazards, risks, and vulnerabilities, and

***WHEREAS***, the City of Bethlehemacknowledges the requirements of Section 322 of DMA 2000 to have an approved Hazard Mitigation Plan as a prerequisite to receiving post-disaster Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funds, and

***WHEREAS***, the Lehigh Valley 2018 Hazard Mitigation Plan has been developed by Lehigh County Emergency Services and the Northampton County Emergency Management Services in cooperation with other county departments, officials and citizens of the City of Bethlehem, and

***WHEREAS***, a public involvement process consistent with the requirements of DMA 2000 was conducted to develop the Lehigh Valley 2018 Hazard Mitigation Plan, and

***WHEREAS***, the Lehigh Valley 2018 Hazard Mitigation Plan recommends mitigation activities that will reduce the loss of life and property affected by natural and non-natural hazards that face the County and its municipal governments,

***NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED*** by the Council of the City of Bethlehem:

* That Robert J. Donchez, Mayor, is authorized to adopt the Lehigh Valley 2018 Hazard Mitigation Plan as the official Hazard Mitigation Plan of the City of Bethlehem, and
* The respective officials and agencies of the City of Bethlehem, identified in the implementation strategy of the Lehigh Valley 2018 Hazard Mitigation Plan, are hereby directed to implement the recommended activities assigned to them.

 Sponsored by:

 Adopted by Council this day of 2018

 President of Council

ATTEST:

 City Clerk