## A RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO PARTICIPATE IN NATURAL HAZARD MITIGATION AND TO WORK TOWARD BECOMING A SAFER COMMUNITY.

WHEREAS, the County of Christian, Missouri recognizes that no community is immune from natural hazards whether it be tornado/severe thunderstorm, flood, severe winter weather, drought, heat wave, earthquake, dam failure or wildfire and recognizes the importance enhancing its ability to withstand natural hazards as well as the importance of reducing the human suffering, property damage, interruption of public services and economic losses caused by those hazards; and

WHEREAS, the County of Christian may have previously pursued measures such as building codes, fire codes, floodplain management regulations, zoning ordinances, and storm water management regulations to minimize the impact of natural hazards; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the State Emergency Management Agency have developed a natural hazard mitigation program that assists communities in their efforts to become Disaster-Resistant Communities which are sustainable communities after a natural disaster that focus, not just on disaster relief, but also on recovery and reconstruction that brings the community to at least pre-disaster conditions in an accelerated, orderly and preplanned manner; and

WHEREAS, by participating in the Natural Hazard Mitigation program, the County of Christian will be eligible to apply for post-disaster mitigation funds; and

WHEREAS, the County of Christian desires to commit to working with government partners and community partners to implement the Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the County of Christian will implement pertinent precepts of the mitigation plan by incorporation into other community plans and mechanisms where appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the County of Christian will participate in the evaluation and review of the Plan after a disaster as well as complete a mandated five-year update submitted to the State Emergency Management Agency and the Federal Emergency Management Agency for review and approval; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY the County Commission of the County of Christian, Missouri AS FOLLOWS:

The County of Christian, Missouri hereby adopts the Christian County Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan attached hereto for the purpose of building a safer community by reducing natural hazard vulnerability.

ADOPTED this 5th day of May, 2011

Lou Lapaglia

Presiding Commissioner

Bill Barnett

Western Commissioner

Tom Huff

Eastern Commissioner

ATTEST: