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**State of Montana**  
**Office of the Governor**



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**Executive Order No. 17-04**

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EXECUTIVE ORDER PROCLAIMING THE DESIGNATION OF THE NATIONAL  
INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS) AS THE BASIS FOR ALL  
INCIDENT MANAGEMENT IN THE STATE OF MONTANA

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WHEREAS, the President in Homeland Security Directive (HSPD)-5, directed the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System (NIMS), which would provide a consistent nationwide approach for federal, state, local, and tribal governments to work together more effectively and efficiently to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of cause, size, or complexity; and

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WHEREAS, the collective input and guidance from all federal, state, local, and tribal homeland security partners has been, and will continue to be, vital to the development, effective implementation and utilization of a comprehensive NIMS; and

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WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable that all federal, state, local, and tribal emergency agencies and personnel coordinate their efforts to effectively and efficiently provide the highest levels of incident management; and

1           WHEREAS, the Incident Command System components of NIMS are  
2 already an integral part of various incident management  
3 activities throughout the State, including current emergency  
4 management training programs.

5           NOW, THEREFORE, I, JUDY MARTZ, Governor of the State of  
6 Montana, by the virtue of the authority vested in me by the  
7 Constitution and Laws of the State of Montana, do hereby  
8 formally recognize and adopt the National Incident Management  
9 System (NIMS) as a guide toward the development of Montana's  
10 approach to prevent, prepare for, respond to and recover from  
11 domestic incidents, regardless of the cause, size or complexity.

12           This Order is effective immediately.



16           GIVEN under my hand and the  
17 GREAT SEAL of the State of  
18 Montana, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of  
19 November, 2004.

18           *Judy Martz*  
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20 JUDY MARTZ, Governor

21           ATTEST:

22           *Bob Brown*  
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24 BOB BROWN, Secretary of State

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