WHEREAS, Congress enacted the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 (Act), which mandates the creation of a nationwide interoperable wireless broadband network that will enable police, firefighters, emergency medical service professionals, and other public safety officials to more effectively communicate and perform their missions;

WHEREAS, the Act creates the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet), an independent authority within the Department of Commerce’s National Telecommunications and Information Administration, charged to take “all actions necessary” to build, deploy, and operate the network, in consultation with state, tribal, federal, and local entities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the FirstNet Board authorizes management to submit FirstNet’s updated Fiscal Year 2013 budget request which shall be sent to the Department of Commerce and the Office of Management and Budget for review and approval.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board authorizes FirstNet management to submit FirstNet’s Fiscal Year 2014 budget request for Department of Commerce and the Office of Management and Budget review, approval and inclusion in the Department of Commerce congressional budget justification materials.

I, the undersigned, Secretary of the First Responder Network Authority, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at the meeting of the Board of the First Responder Network Authority on March 18, 2013, at which a quorum was present and voted.

[Signature]
Uzoma Onyeije, Secretary