

**THE COMMISSIONERS OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
IN THE TOWNSHIP OF DEPTFORD, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER**

**Resolution To Establish Formal Cadet Program
2017-02**

WHEREAS, the Fire District, as part of its regular services to protect public safety, perform firefighting activities, and provide basic life support services to its residents and the citizens who visit the region the Fire District services, employ volunteer and paid firefighters;

WHEREAS, the Fire District is permitted as part of its general powers and duties to employ volunteers under the Age of 16 as Junior Firefighters pursuant to N.S.J.A. 40A:14-95 (“Cadets”), with parent or guardian permission, subject to the restrictions on duties set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:14-98 and accompanying regulations;

WHEREAS, the Fire District has employed such Cadets as part of its general operations;

WHEREAS, the Fire District Commissioners have determined that it is in the best interests of the Fire District to formally establish a Cadet Program, in order to recruit new members and to otherwise increase the presence and visibility of the Fire District;

WHEREAS, the Fire District has determined, as part of establishing the Cadet Program, that such Cadets should be provided insurance coverage as permitted by N.J.S.A. 40A:14-97.

NOW THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED, by the Commissioners at Fire District No. 1, in the Township of Deptford, County of Gloucester, at a duly-authorized and noticed public meeting held on January 4, 2017, as follows:

1. The Commissioners hereby formally establish the Cadet Program.
2. The Commissioners hereby authorize Michael White, Chairman, or his designee, to prepare any and all appropriate rules and regulations, as needed, to formally implement the Cadet Program.

3. The Commissioners hereby authorize Michael White, Chairman, or his designee, to take any and all steps necessary to provide insurance coverage for all members of the Cadet Program.