

FREE 2 HOPE

Location: 2539 W. Main Street Louisville, KY 40212

Owner: Free2Hope Inc.

Re: Request of Conditional Use Permit

We recognize that a dedicated place for resources to guide people on a path to self-sufficiency is the best way to create real change in individuals and their communities. **Free2Hope Inc.** has purchased a property at 2539 W. Main Street Louisville, KY 40212 that we hope to run our day to day operations from, as well as to operate our Women's Drop-in Help Center. We do not house, or directly provide treatment programs. Free2Hope does help guide victimized women to their path to self-sufficiency. Also by providing life skills classes, a clothing closet, home budgeting, and job readiness classes that will be open to all female community members, we plan to help make women stronger and more self-sufficient in the community, and ultimately to be part of the solution to help rebuild Portland Kentucky (and the people in the community) back to a strong community. We would like to open our Women's Drop-in Help Center 2-3 days a week, for 3-4 hours during the daytime. We currently provide these services to women that have been victimized by domestic violence, sex crimes, and human trafficking. Our services include housing resources, case management services, career readiness programs, financial and budgeting classes, educational opportunities, health and wellness education, therapeutic art classes, along with other services that help a woman to progress successfully in her life. Please Contact me with any questions (502) 475-0555

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Very Truly yours,

Amy R. Leenerts

Executive Director Free2Hope Inc.

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1. How many women will be in the facility during business hours? During our Drop-in time, we are open from 10 am- 2 pm. We have anywhere from 2- 8 women during each session. Some women will stay the entire time but others will only stay a short time, it really is determined with what she needs help with.

2. Does the site have a parking area and/ or is the adjacent property used for parking? Although we do sit in-between 3 empty structures, one of which has no house on the property; we will utilize the space for mine and my social worker if possible. If we are unable to park in front of our property, we have made arrangements with the Thrift store across the street to allow us to park a car there. The ladies that utilize the Drop-in Center would generally not have a private vehicle but would utilize TARC which is a few blocks away.

3. How do the women get to the facility? The majority of the ladies that attend the Drop-in Center use TARC. We have had friends or family members drop them off, social service professionals, or even LMPD.

4. Will there be any lighting? There will be no additional lighting used on the house. We currently have a home type motion detected light (uses 2 regular bulbs) on the back deck.

5. Will there be additional landscaping? No there really is no room to do anything other than a few flowers to make the front pretty and inviting.

6. Will security be present on the site? We will have the doors locked when the ladies are with us. We have a very strong relationship with the LMPD sex crimes division, and are working to gain a relationship with the 1st division. In other words; we will contact the police for any problems we might encounter. We have operated a Drop-in Center for two years now in other entities property. The current location is on Slevin Street at a Church, and have never had to call the police or deal with a major issue.

FREE HOPE

August 30, 2019

Adjoining Property Owners
of : 2539 W. Main Street
Louisville, KY 40241

Dear Neighbor,

This letter is to inform you that I, Amy Leenerts am requesting a Conditional use permit (CUP) to allow Free2Hope to operate a Community Service Facility at 2539 W. Main Street.

This house is a 2 story structure located between West Main Street and 26th Street. There will be no building or structural changes.

Free2Hope, Inc. is a non-profit organization that takes proactive approaches to prevent and disrupt human trafficking and other sex crimes against women and children through education, equipping community responsiveness, and enabling a Community Service "Drop-in" Facility for survivors.

Free2Hope plans to run our day to day business operations from this home, as well as to operate our Community Service "Drop-in" Facility that will be open 2 to 3 days a week (3-4 hours). Free2Hope helps guide victimized persons to their path to self-sufficiency. Free2Hope also provides life skills classes, a clothing closet, home budgeting, and job readiness classes that will be open to community members.

I am holding a meeting to discuss our plans on September 22, 2019 at 3 pm at the W. Main Street location. I will explain in more detail and answer any questions you might have.

Amy R. Leenerts
Founder and Executive Director

Free2Hope Inc.
2539 W. Main Street
Louisville, KY 40212
(502) 475-0555

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Neighborhood Meeting Summary:

Proposal: Cupp for property 2539 W. Main Street from Single family home to Community Center

Date: September 22, 2019

Location: 2539 W. Main Street

In Attendance were: Executive Director Amy Leenerts, and board members: Todd Johnson, Pam Krebs, Paige Hessel, Officer Roger Collins

Summary:

No one showed up for this community meeting

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September 22, 2019

We did not have any members of the community stop for additional information. We opened the doors at 3 pm and stayed until 5 pm.

In Attendance were:

Executive Director Amy Leenerts

Board Members:

Todd Johnson

Pam Krebs

Paige Hessel

Officer Roger Collins

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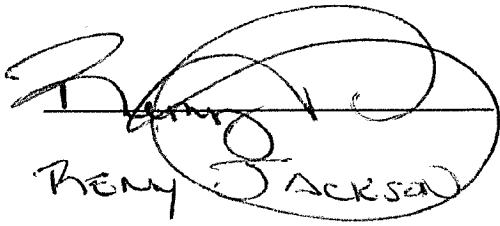
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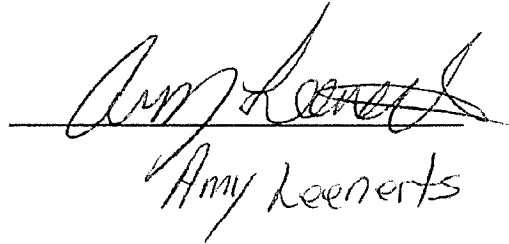
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To whom it may concern,

Free2Hope has come to an agreement with Louisville Thrift Store (2540 W. Main Street) that they will allow Free2Hope to use one to two parking places in the back of the building for our staff.



Benny Jackson



Amy Leenerts

Free2Hope Inc.
2539 W. Main Street
Louisville, KY 40212
(502) 475-0555



OFFICE OF THE FIRST LADY

LENNA R. BEVIN
FIRST LADY

700 CAPITOL AVENUE
SUITE 102
FRANKFORT, KY 40601
(502) 564-2611
FAX: (502) 564-0437

April 18, 2016

To whom it may concern:

I am writing in support of Free2Hope and the programs that they have implemented to stop human trafficking and sexual crimes against women and children in the Louisville area.

Free2Hope is a local, grassroots organization with an innovative approach to stopping human trafficking. Their programs train the general public to recognize and respond to victims of human trafficking, and equip groups to reach out to their communities with information on combating sexual crimes. Further, they have developed a new concept that allows local businesses to join in the fight against human trafficking in their communities.

Free2Hope trains community members who normally would not receive any training about human trafficking. To date, they have trained 1645 people on how to recognize human trafficking and ways to keep children safe from becoming victims.

Free2Hope's desire is for all citizens to be made aware that human trafficking is happening here in our communities and to provide the community a means to make a difference.

We believe in the value of Free2Hope and support their work.

Sincerely,

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Glenna Bevin

MEMORANDUM

LOUISVILLE METRO POLICE DEPARTMENT

GREG FISCHER
MAYOR

STEVE CONRAD
CHIEF OF POLICE

TO: Major Josh Hasch
Commander LMPD Major Crimes

FROM: Sergeant Tim Stokes *T. Stokes*
SVU-Sex Crimes Unit

DATE: 3 September 2019

RE: Support for Free2Hope

Free2Hope is a strong community partner for the Louisville Metro Police Department and the Special Victims Unit. This organization was founded by Amy Leenerts with goals established to support victims through their mission objectives by raising community awareness related to human trafficking, providing programs that assist in the prevention of human trafficking, and providing a help center for female victims of domestic violence, sexual assaults, and human trafficking.

Free2Hope identifies these victims and works to provide basic needs, life skill classes, outside job opportunities, and a supportive environment for them to begin to heal from their traumatic experiences.

Recently, Free2Hope began a rehabilitation project on a residence along West Main Street to continue growing their community-based footprint and their ability to provide these vital resources to those from the community that desperately need support.

Free2Hope continues to be an ally in the missions of the Special Victims Unit, has worked with law enforcement to ensure a safe facility, has provided education and resources to Special Victims Unit detectives, and has assisted our efforts numerous times with work toward rescue operations of victims that we have identified.

A dedicated resource to guide people toward self-sufficiency is a tremendous way to create real change in these victims and in their community. Based on the work that is being accomplished, it would be beneficial for the Louisville Metro Police Department to support them as they seek out proper permits to continue their efforts.



ANDY BESHEAR

ATTORNEY GENERAL

To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come, Greeting: Know Ye That

Amy Leenerts

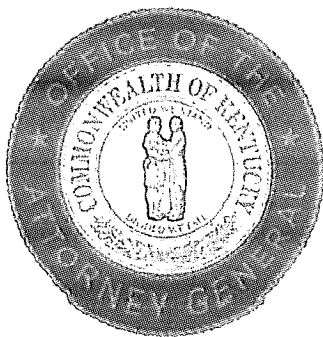
*having been duly nominated and appointed,
is hereby commissioned as a member of the*

SURVIVORS COUNCIL

of the Office of the Attorney General

*and is entitled to all the rights and responsibilities
thereunto appertaining.*

*In testimony whereof, I have caused these letters to be made patent
and hereunto signed my name and affixed the seal of the Office of
the Attorney General. Done at Frankfort, the thirtieth day of
January in the year of our Lord, two thousand and seventeen,
and in the two hundred twenty-fifth year of the Commonwealth.*



Andy Beshear

Attorney General of Kentucky - Andy Beshear



COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

ANDY BESHEAR
ATTORNEY GENERAL

1024 CAPITAL CENTER DRIVE
SUITE 200
FRANKFORT, KY 40601

April 6, 2016

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing to support Free to Hope in their application for funding to improve awareness of human trafficking.

The Office of the Attorney General is very committed to raising awareness on human trafficking, improving responses to victims of labor and sex trafficking, and securing justice through better investigations and prosecutions of human trafficking. We know that reports of human trafficking are on the rise, but we still believe that this is the tip of the iceberg. We also know that few of these cases have resulted in successful prosecutions.

Efforts like that of Free to Hope are so important because they improve our ability to reach individuals and businesses that would otherwise not know about human trafficking. I have worked in partnership with Free to Hope for several years and have been consistently impressed with their ability to reach out and connect with agencies, businesses and groups that would never otherwise find out about trafficking. Whether it is training a women's health clinic, a church, a fire department, a coffee shop or adding inserts to prom dresses, they are filling a gap and doing outreach that is both innovative and unique. Free to Hope helps advertise the national human trafficking hotline, which in turn connects individuals to law enforcement and victim services.

Amy Leenarts of Free to Hope has been a constant presence in collaborative efforts such as state and local human trafficking task forces and works well with all key partners. For these reasons, I strongly support this application.

Please feel free to contact me with any further questions.

Sincerely,

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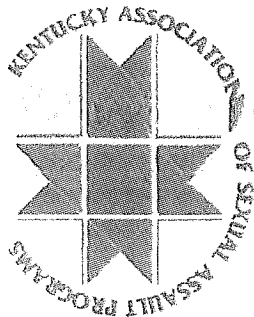
Gretchen Hunt, Executive Director
Office of Victims Advocacy
Office of the Attorney General
(502) 696-5320

**SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH
INNOVATIVE PROGRAM AWARD**

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FREE2HOPE

FOR EXCEPTIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS MADE IN THE ANTI-RAPE MOVEMENT IN
THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY.



Karla Ward

KARLA WARD PRESIDENT OF THE KASAP BOARD

PRESENTED BY

KENTUCKY ASSOCIATION OF SEXUAL ASSAULT PROGRAMS
MARCH 30, 2017

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Award

Presented for Outstanding Service, Compassion, and Selfless, Unwavering & Courageous Dedication to Victims and Survivors, helping them to heal; for seeing good and value in those most in need.

Awarded to: Amy Leenertz, Selfless, Inspiring and Courageous, Founder of Free2Hope, Inc.

From: Gregory F. Zoeller, Indiana Attorney General

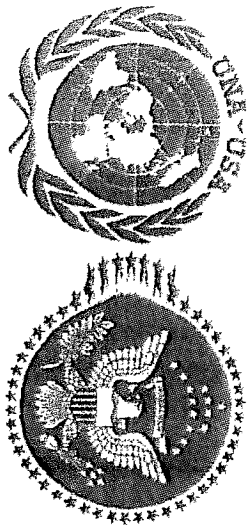


LIBERATION AWARD

Presented To

Amy Leenerts
[Signature]

In Recognition of Your Dedicated
Efforts to Raise Awareness
and Assist Victims of
Human Trafficking in Kentucky



UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION
of the United States of America
A PROGRAM OF THE UNITED NATIONS FOUNDATION
Kentucky Division

Human Rights Award

Amy Leenerts

In recognition of your work to educate the public about Human Trafficking and to assist victims.

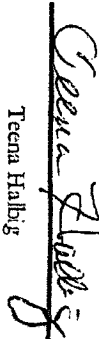
And in appreciation for using your voice, time and background for these causes to make
real differences in the lives of many. Also in honor of your advocacy and

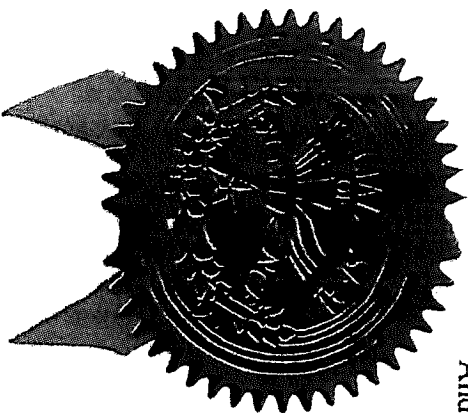
education for women's rights that are human rights.

Presented

"70th UN Day Commemoration & Conference"

the 24th of Day of October, 2015


Teena Halbig
President UNA-USA KY Division





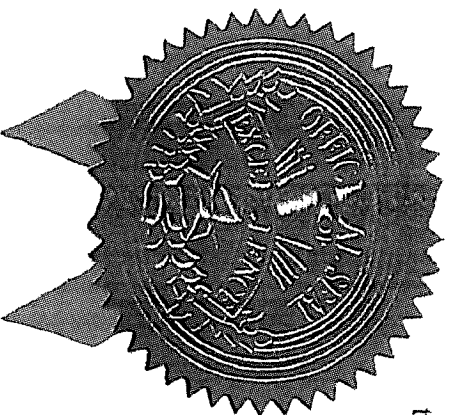
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Kentucky Division

Human Trafficking Advocacy Award

Amy Leenerts

In honor of your leadership to help women escape "the life" of being trafficked while providing monetary benefit to perpetrators who use women to profit from and enslave women today. In recognition of your organization, Free2Hope, which provides respite and care for women who want to escape the life. You are a testament that life is better outside the life and exhibit the admirable will and heart to help others.



Presented the 5th Day of December 2018

UN Human Rights Day Program

University of Louisville
Louisville, Kentucky

Jeanette Westbrook
Jeanette Westbrook
President UNA-USA Kentucky Division

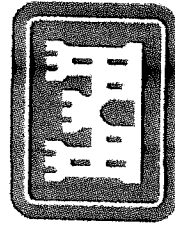
Teena Halbig
Teena Halbig
Immediate Past President
UNA-USA KY Division

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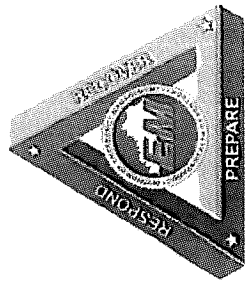
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Urban Search & Rescue Structural Collapse Awareness Training

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31 July 2018



Jefferson County Search Dog Association

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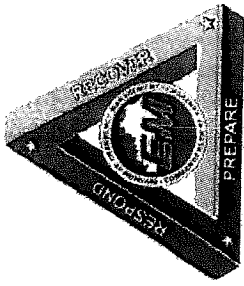
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SEARCH AND RESCUE LAW

BUD DIXON

BUD DIXON
Chief, JCSDA

Issued this
10th day of March 2019



*Jefferson County Search Dog Association
And Louisville Metro Emergency Management
Certificate of Completion*

is hereby awarded to:

AMY LEENERTS

for Successful Completion of

**Critical Incident Stress Management &
PTSD/ Psychological First Aid**

Bud Dixon

Bud Dixon
Chief, JCSDA

Issued this

24th day of March 219
3.0 Continuing Education Units

Teri Reed

Maj. Teri Reed
Major over Mental JCSDA



Jefferson County Search Dog Association
and
Louisville Metro Police Department



Certificate of Completion

is hereby awarded to:

AMY LEENERTS

For Successful Completion
of

EXPLOSIVE, BOMB, IED AWR

Bud Dixon

Bud Dixon
Chief JCSDA

Issued this 4th day of August 2019

2.0 Continuing Education Units



Jefferson County Search Dog Association

Certificate of Completion

is hereby awarded to:

AMY LEENVERTS

for Successful Completion of

**BASIC SAR MAPPING &
FATIGUE MANAGEMENT**

Bud Dixon

BUD DIXON
Chief, JCSDA

Issued this
22ND day of January 2019

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

Presented To:
Amy Leenerts
Jefferson County Search Dog Association

For the Successful Completion
of

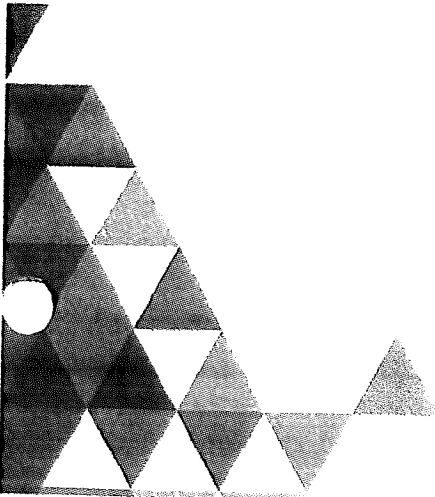
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Terry L. Varney STD
Terry L. Varney, State Training Officer
Kentucky Emergency Management



19 May 2019

DATE



CERTIFICATE

O F C O M P L E T I O N

Amy Leenerts

For active participation and attendance at the 2018 Kentucky Victim Assistance Academy at KenLake State Park Resort, September 23rd through September 28th, 2018.

John C. Tilley
Secretary John Tilley

Kentucky Justice and Public Safety Cabinet

Sharon Currens
Sharon Currens
Executive Director

Bob Stokes
Bob Stokes
Executive Director



Certificate of Achievement

This is to certify that

Amy Leenerts

***has successfully completed the
FAA Safety Team Aviation Learning Center Online Course
Part 107 Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (Small Uas) Recurrent***

Course Number ALC-515

Presented by Online Courses

July 2, 2018



**Federal Aviation
Administration**

Certificate Number 0970836-20180702-00515

Valerie G Palazzolo

Valerie G Palazzolo, National Manager, FAA Safety Team



Certificate of Completion

For successfully completing the Alzheimer's Association® online course



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First Responder Training

*Covering the topics: Briefing (Dementia Overview), Wandering, Driving,
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Amy Leenerts

December 23, 2018

800.272.3900

alz.org/firstresponders

Course: 1 hour

TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE

The Texas A&M University System

Amy R. Leenerts

has successfully completed

Swiftwater Awareness On-Line Training

2 Hours

June 29, 2018



Gary F. Seta

Gary F. Seta, Director
Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service

Robert L. Moore

Robert L. Moore, Division Director
Emergency Services Training Institute



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Recognizes

AMY LEENERTS

For successful completion of the
Bleeding Control Basic v. 1.0 Course

Presented on NOVEMBER 12, 2018 , by

JEFFERSON COUNTY SEARCH DOG ASSOCIATION

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Amy Leenerts
KEMSIS ID #

has been awarded 2.0 contact hours for the
successful completion of all requirements for the offering titled:

Autism and the First Responder

This course includes information on the definition of autism, myths related to autism, common characteristics of persons with autism, strategies for interaction with autistic patients including methods for de-escalation, and additional resources for further education concerning autism.

Course Date: 7/23/2018

Location: Shelbyville Fire Dept. 1040 Main St.
Shelbyville, KY

Instructor: Chad Greathouse

Signature: [Signature]

Course #079-16-12-002



This course has been approved for
continuing education credit in
accordance with the statutes and
regulations of the KY Board of
EMS, by the KY EMS for
Children EMS Training and
Educational Institution #079.

[Signature]

Morgan Saggs, Chief Administrative Officer/Program Coordinator
118 James Ct., Ste. 50, Lexington, KY 40505
559-236-3583 morgan.saggs@kentec.edu

U.S. Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Louisville Division

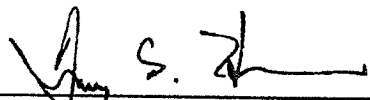
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Amy L. Leenerts


on this day

April 6, 2017

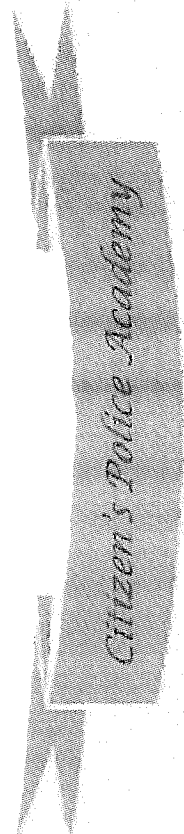
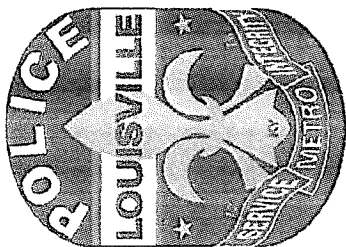
*For successfully completing
the FBI Citizens Academy program
and demonstrating a commitment to the FBI mission*


Special Agent in Charge




James B. Comey
Director





Certificate of Completion

is awarded to

Amy Leenerts

May 28, 2019

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Steve Conrad".

Steve Conrad

Chief of Police

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

Presented To:
Amy Leenerts
Jefferson County Search and Rescue
For the Successful Completion
of
20 Hours
Basic Search and Rescue

Terry L. Varney STD
Terry L Varney, State Training Officer
Kentucky Emergency Management



23 September 2018

DATE

Emergency Management Institute



FEMA

This Certificate of Achievement is to acknowledge that

AMY R LEENERTS

has reaffirmed a dedication to serve in times of crisis through continued professional development and completion of the independent study course:


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Introduction to Incident Command System, ICS-100

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Tony Russell
Superintendent
Emergency Management Institute

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IS-00200.b
ICS for Single Resources and
Initial Action Incident, ICS-200

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National Incident Management System (NIMS)
An Introduction

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IS-00800.c

National Response Framework, An Introduction

Issued this 17th Day of July, 2018



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Tony Russell

Superintendent

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