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Resolution on Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program

WHEREAS, the Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM) is a national professional non-profit organization with a mission to mitigate the losses, costs, and human suffering caused by flooding and to promote wise use of natural and beneficial functions of floodplains: and

WHEREAS, the Flood Mitigation Assistance Program (FMA) was authorized by the National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994, and is funded entirely by flood insurance premium income that is paid by individual policyholders and not funded from general revenue: and

WHEREAS, approximately half (\$10 million) of the FY2002 FMA funds were transferred to pay for reorganization expenses of the Department of Homeland Security; and

WHEREAS, FMA funds are used by states and communities to support mitigation planning and mitigation projects that are in the best interest of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP); and

WHEREAS, from its inception, FMA funds have been used for flood damage reduction activities, which are explicitly defined in the statute;

THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Association of State Floodplain Managers does hereby resolve to urge Congress and the Administration to continue administration of Flood Mitigation Assistance Program funds under current procedures, and to use such funds only for their Congressionally defined and intended purposes of flood mitigation

Approved by the Board of Directors May 10 2003