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## Resolution on Section 1362

- WHEREAS, the Federal government assists flood victims with over half a billion dollars per year in disaster assistance and flood insurance claims, and flood insurance claims; and
- WHEREAS, the Federal government will continue to pay such large amounts of money because structural flood control projects will only protect a small portion of the nation's flood victims; and
- WHEREAS, after only four years of experience, Section 1362 has been shown to be cost effective but has been able to fund only one-third of the eligible applicants; and
- WHEREAS, other than for relocating entire buildings, there are no Federal programs to assist private property owners to protect their properties from flood damage;

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this Association that:

- 1. The Federal government should increase the annual funding level for Section 1362 to \$15 million in order to meet the demand for relocating damaged properties before they are flooded again.
- 2. The Mitigation Committee is charged with working with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Small Business Administration, the Soil Conservation Service, and other Federal agencies to adjust their existing assistance programs to enable them to provide assistance for and encourage non-structural flood protection.
- 3. The Mitigation Committee is charged with working the Federal Emergency Management and other Federal Agencies to develop new financial incentives for flood damage reduction.

ADOPTED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1984, at the annual meeting of the Association of State Floodplain Managers, in Portland, Maine.