

RESOLUTION 26-73

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE CAMDEN COUNTY RESCUE TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, the Borough of Runnemede, through its Fire Department, seeks to participate in coordinated regional emergency response initiatives to enhance public safety and operational readiness; and

WHEREAS, the County of Camden, through its Department of Public Safety, Office of Emergency Management, has established the Camden County Rescue Task Force (RTF), a multidisciplinary capability designed to provide rapid and coordinated response during active shooter or hostile event incidents; and

WHEREAS, the County has procured life-saving and protective equipment, including but not limited to ballistic protective gear, medical supplies, rescue tools, and communications assets, for use by participating agencies; and

WHEREAS, the County requires participating agencies to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding setting forth the terms and conditions governing the use, maintenance, training, and accountability of such equipment; and

WHEREAS, under the proposed Memorandum of Understanding, the County will retain ownership of all RTF equipment, while the Runnemede Fire Department will be responsible for proper use, maintenance, training compliance, and operational readiness, consistent with County standards and applicable guidelines ; and

WHEREAS, the Memorandum of Understanding further establishes requirements regarding training and certification, restrictions on transfer or misuse of equipment, procedures for repair or replacement, and provisions for withdrawal and return of equipment ; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council find that participation in the Camden County Rescue Task Force and execution of the Memorandum of Understanding is in the best interests of the Borough and will promote the health, safety, and welfare of its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Runnemede, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute, and the Borough Clerk to attest, a Memorandum of Understanding with the County of Camden, Department of Public Safety, Office of Emergency Management, for participation in the Camden County Rescue Task Force, in substantially the form attached hereto.
2. The Runnemede Fire Department is authorized and directed to comply with all terms and conditions of the Memorandum of Understanding, including but not limited to training requirements, equipment use restrictions, maintenance obligations, and accountability measures.
3. All Borough officials, officers, and employees are hereby authorized to take any action necessary to carry out the purposes of this Resolution.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.


Beth Miller, Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RUNNEMEDE


Nick Kappatos, Mayor

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Runnemede, New Jersey, at a meeting of said Mayor and Council held on the 28th day of April, 2026.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of this Borough.

DATED: 4/28/26


Beth Miller, Borough Clerk

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Passio				✓
Kelly	✓			
Farrell	✓			
Cepero	✓			
Murray	✓			
White	✓			