

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE
SOUTH MOUNTAINS REGIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, Ruth is vulnerable to an array of natural hazards that can cause loss of life and damages to public and private property; and

WHEREAS, the Ruth desires to seek ways to mitigate situations that may aggravate such circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the development and implementation of a hazard mitigation plan can result in actions that reduce the long-term risk to life and property from natural hazards; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Ruth Town Council to protect its citizens and property from the effects of natural hazards by preparing and maintaining a local hazard mitigation plan; and

WHEREAS, it is also the intent of the Ruth Town Council to fulfill its obligation under North Carolina General Statutes, Chapter 166A: North Carolina Emergency Management Act and Section 322: Mitigation Planning, of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to remain eligible to receive state and federal assistance in the event of a declared disaster affecting the Town of Ruth; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Ruth in coordination with Henderson, Polk, Rutherford and Transylvania Counties and the participating municipalities within those Counties has prepared a multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation plan with input from the appropriate local and state officials;

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Division of Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency are reviewing the South Mountains Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan for legislative compliance and will approve the plan pending the completion of local adoption procedures;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of Ruth hereby:

1. Adopts the South Mountains Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan; and
2. Agrees to take such other official action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the proposed actions of the Plan.

Adopted on _____, 2020.

, Chair
LOCAL GOVERNING BODY

ATTEST:

, Clerk