

**CONSENT TO COUNTY MANAGER'S
DECLARATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY
ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA**



WHEREAS, as a result of the Presidential Inauguration on January 20, 2009, extraordinary and unprecedented numbers of people were in Arlington and attempting to pass through Arlington in the days prior to the event and after its conclusion; and

WHEREAS, in anticipation of the threats to the public posed by the Inauguration, the County Manager declared a local emergency effective January 17, 2009, as evidenced by the attached declaration; and

WHEREAS, the events happening in and around Arlington during this period had significant national security implications; and

WHEREAS, there was a perpetual threat of unpredictable winter weather during this period; and

WHEREAS, many of the normal mutual aid assets from immediate jurisdictions were in use; and

WHEREAS, these conditions posed a threat of substantial injury and harm to the public and substantial damage to and loss of property, and have already resulted in an unprecedented requirement for inter-agency and inter-governmental coordination; and

WHEREAS, under the best circumstances intense coordinated governmental actions were required to prevent and alleviate the damage and loss threatened by the event;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Board of Arlington County hereby consents to the County Manager's declaration of a local emergency, and to the County Manager taking all actions authorized by law necessary or incidental to preparing for and carrying out the emergency services required by the local emergency in order to protect the public health, safety and welfare; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the local emergency expired at midnight on January 21, 2009.