EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 241-15

THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

WHEREAS, the Office of Emergency Management ("OEM") operates as an office within the Office of the Managing Director;

WHEREAS, OEM plays an essential role developing and coordinating the implementation of the City’s emergency operations plans;

WHEREAS, OEM plays an essential role in coordinating emergency response operations and is responsible for the activation of the City’s Emergency Operations Center;

WHEREAS, OEM has a critical role in connection with planning for large-scale events such as Pope Francis’s visit of the 2015 World Meeting of Families and the 2016 Democratic National Convention; and

WHEREAS, it is now desirable to formally restate the role of OEM;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael A. Nutter, Mayor of the City of Philadelphia, by the powers vested in me by the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter, do hereby ORDER as follows:

SECTION 1. ORGANIZATION OF OEM

The Office of Emergency Management is hereby re-established and continued as an office within the Office of the Managing Director. OEM shall be headed by the Director of Emergency Management.

SECTION 2. THE ROLE OF OEM

The Office of Emergency Management shall perform the following functions:

A. Develop, periodically update, and coordinate the implementation of the City’s emergency operations plan and related plans.

B. Develop, and periodically update, hazard and risk profiles for the City to inform emergency management priorities and to comply with federal and Commonwealth directives and mandates.

C. Coordinate among City departments and agencies and non-governmental agencies to improve emergency preparedness, response and recovery.
D. Develop and implement strategies to reduce the consequences of future high-impact events.

E. Promote public awareness and education regarding emergency preparedness.

F. Coordinate with regional and Commonwealth agencies to further regional preparedness through planning, training, and the management of homeland security grant programs.

G. Ensure the City maintains compliance with local, Commonwealth, and Federal guidelines and requirements pertaining to emergency management and homeland security.

SECTION 3. COOPERATION OF OTHER CITY AGENCIES WITH OEM

All City offices, departments, boards and commission shall cooperate with the Office of Emergency Management to facilitate OEM’s performance of its functions.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Order shall take effect immediately.

\[10/20/15\]
Date

Michael A. Nutter, Mayor