



**2018-04**

**SUPPORT FOR 2018 MODEL ORDINANCE FOR ALARM MANAGEMENT  
AND FALSE ALARM REDUCTION**

*Proposed by: Crime Prevention and Private Security Section of the Outreach Committee*

**WHEREAS**, the National Sheriffs' Association (NSA) supports efforts of the life safety, alarm, and electronic security industries, represented by the Security Industry Alarm Coalition; and,

**WHEREAS**, NSA recognizes the importance of strong relationships between law enforcement and the private sector; and,

**WHEREAS**, NSA recognizes the importance of accountability in false alarm reduction to maximize officer safety and efficiency in the deployment of law enforcement resources; and,

**WHEREAS**, NSA acknowledges that correctly installed, operated and monitored electronic security systems are effective resources which help to deter crime, assist in apprehensions, reduce property loss and potentially save lives; and,

**WHEREAS**, NSA recognizes the need to focus on the credibility of alarms received by Public Safety Answering Points from alarm companies and private entities through the establishment of best practices as contained in this Model Ordinance for Alarm Management and False Alarm Reduction, duly vetted and recommended Crime Prevention and Private Security section of the Outreach Committee; and,

**WHEREAS**, NSA recognizes the need for and value of strong enforcement recommended in this Model Ordinance to achieve the desired reduction in alarm dispatches experienced by police agencies,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the NSA, duly assembled at its 2018 Annual Conference in New Orleans, LA, encourages the use of this 2018 Model Ordinance for Alarm Management and False Alarm Reduction and all of the best practices it contains by law enforcement agencies and the communities they serve.

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Approved by the Board of Directors of the National Sheriffs' Association on June 18, 2018, at the Annual Conference of the National Sheriffs' Association, New Orleans, Louisiana. This resolution to remain in effect until June 24, 2022, in accordance with Article XIII, Section 6 of the Constitution and Bylaws of the National Sheriffs' Association.