



Proclamation

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Rosa is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting Santa Rosa; and

WHEREAS, National Preparedness Month (NPM) is recognized each September to promote family and community disaster planning now and throughout the year, and as our nation continues to respond to COVID-19, there is no better time to be involved this September; and

WHEREAS, these events remind us that emergencies can strike anywhere, at any time, and being prepared before disaster strikes can be a life or death matter; and

WHEREAS, when individuals take responsibility for preparing their families and their communities, the chance of survival and return to normalcy following a disaster is greatly increased; and

WHEREAS, Santa Rosa's residents should prepare their homes, businesses, and communities for any type of emergency including natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, residents of Santa Rosa should talk to friends and family about how they will communicate before, during, and after a disaster; and

WHEREAS, the 2020 National Preparedness Month theme, "Disasters Don't Wait, Make Your Plan Today" works to better educate the public on the importance of preparing for disasters by having a plan, building an emergency kit, and teaching youth about preparedness.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, I, Tom Schwedhelm, Mayor of the City of Santa Rosa, on behalf of the entire City Council, urge all the residents of Santa Rosa to take the necessary steps in preparing for any emergency and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of Santa Rosa's fire and emergency services during the 2020 National Preparedness Month, and do hereby proclaim September as

NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH



Mayor Tom Schwedhelm
September 1, 2020