

WHEREAS, During American Red Cross Month in March, we celebrate the humanitarian spirit of Santa Rosa and reaffirm our commitment to help ensure no one faces a crisis alone.

WHEREAS, caring for one another is at the heart of our community and exemplified by the people of the City of Santa Rosa, whose simple acts of kindness through the Red Cross provide help and hope in people's most difficult moments, thereby continuing the lifesaving legacy of Clara Barton, who founded the organization more than 140 years ago to prevent and alleviate human suffering.

WHEREAS, every day, these ordinary individuals lend a helping hand to make an extraordinary difference for neighbors in need, whether by providing emergency shelter, food and comfort for families displaced by home fires and other disasters; donating lifesaving blood for cancer patients, accident victims, and people with sickle cell disease and other life-threatening conditions; supporting military members and veterans, along with their families and caregivers; using and teaching vital skills like first aid and CPR to help others survive medical emergencies; or delivering international humanitarian aid and reconnecting loved ones separated by crises around the world.

WHEREAS, their support, volunteerism and generous donations are critical to our community's resilience. We hereby recognize this month of March in honor of all those who fulfill Clara Barton's noble words, "You must never think of anything except the need and how to meet it," and ask everyone to join in this commitment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, I, Natalie Rogers, Mayor of the City of Santa Rosa, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim March 2023 as Red Cross Month. I encourage all citizens of Santa Rosa to reach out and support the humanitarian mission of the American Red Cross.



Mayor Natalie Rogers March 28, 2023