

WHEREAS, since 2017, the City of Santa Rosa has been threatened and or directly impacted by the Tubbs, Nuns, Kincade and Glass Fires; and

WHEREAS, the Tubbs Fire was one of the most destructive wildfires in state history; and

WHEREAS, according to the National Interagency Fire Center, humans cause an average of 68% of fires per year in the United States; of those human-started fires, 2.8 million acres burn each year, and in 2018, 8,767,492 acres burned due to human-started and lightning strikes; and

WHEREAS, in 2020, 9,917 fires burned 4,257,863 acres across California; and

WHEREAS, prevention campaigns and public outreach through collaborative efforts is fundamental in reducing the threat of wildfires; and

WHEREAS, wildfire preparedness is year-round and takes all of us to safeguard our lands, our communities, and out livelihoods by reducing hazardous fuels, creating defensible space, home hardening, and taking personal responsibility for our actions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, I, Chris Rogers, Mayor of the City of Santa Rosa, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim May as

NATIONAL WILDFIRE AWARENESS MONTH



Mayor Chris Rogers May 25, 2021