



PROCLAMATION

Of The Board of Supervisors of the County Of El Dorado Recognizing September 2018 as National Preparedness Month "Disasters Happen. Prepare Now. Learn How"

WHEREAS, emergencies can occur anytime and anywhere in the nation, including natural disasters, mass casualties, biological and chemical threats, radiation emergencies, and terrorist attacks; and,

WHEREAS, when and where emergencies occur is uncontrollable, but preparation and response to emergencies can be planned, recognizing that local readiness is critical to public health and safety during times of emergencies and natural disasters; and,

WHEREAS, emergency preparedness is a shared responsibility of a community and involves individuals, local businesses, volunteer organizations, and many governmental entities including local government agencies such as the El Dorado County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services and the Health and Human Services Agency's Emergency Preparedness and Response and Animal Services Programs; and,

WHEREAS, the mission of the El Dorado County Office of Emergency Services is to prepare the people in El Dorado County to prepare for, respond to, and recover from emergencies which threaten life, property, or the environment; and,

WHEREAS, the mission of the Health and Human Services Agency Emergency Preparedness and Response Program is to prepare El Dorado County to effectively respond to threats by focusing on emergency planning and training, and community outreach and education; and,

WHEREAS, the purpose of Animal Services is to regulate the control and humane treatment of animals within the boundaries of El Dorado County for the protection of the safety and welfare of the public; and,

WHEREAS, the theme for September 2018, the fifteenth annual National Preparedness Month sponsored by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, is "Disasters Happen. Prepare Now. Learn How."

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado does hereby proclaim the month of September 2018, as National Preparedness Month and encourages the citizens and businesses of El Dorado County to prepare for local threats such as wildfires and winter storms by visiting www.facebook.com/edcpreparedness and by following the four steps of emergency preparedness which includes building a disaster supply kit, making an emergency plan to include both people and animals, being informed, and getting involved.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held this 11th day of September 2018.

Attest:

James S. Mitrisin
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors