

## Proclamation OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

## Recognizing the month of September 2014 as National Preparedness Month

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; and

Whereas, 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 the community as a whole and involves individuals, local businesses, volunteer organizations, and many governmental entities including local government agencies such as the County of El Dorado Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services and the Health and the Human Services Agency Preparedness and Response Program; and

Whereas, the mission of the Helath and Human Services Agency Preparedness and Response Program is to prepare El Dorado County to effectively respond to public health emergency planning, disease surveillance, detection and control, health risk communication, and public and health provider education and training services; and

Whereas, September 2014 marks the eleventh annual National Preparedness Month sponsored by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the 2014 theme is "Be Disaster Aware, Take Action to Prepare."

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the County of El Dorado Board of Supervisors recognize the month of September 2014 as National Preparedness Month and encourage the citizens and businesses of El Dorado County to prepare for local threats such as wildfires and winter storms by visiting <a href="www.Ready.gov">www.Ready.gov</a> 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** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 23rd day of September, 2014.

## Attest:

James S. Mitrisin

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

by:

Chair, Board of Supervisors