

Proclamation of the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado

Proclaiming the Month of September 2021 as National Preparedness Month in El Dorado County

WHEREAS, El Dorado County residents are currently viewing the massive devastation of Grizzly Flats from the Caldor Fire, and many others are experiencing the stress and suffering associated with the mandatory evacuations of tens of thousands of residents to community shelters, while others are having anxiety and are struggling with rapid preparation for an evacuation order; and

WHEREAS, the 2021 Fire Season is far from over, and the severe drought conditions that El Dorado County is experiencing this year is resulting in extremely high risk fire danger that may not diminish until the end of 2021 or into 2022; and

WHEREAS, the time and effort you invest now in preparing will help you and your family navigate through and recover more quickly from what may come your way at the most unexpected moment. The time to act is now, everyone should be prepared to survive for 72 hours before help arrives; and

WHEREAS, all residents of El Dorado County are urged to plan ahead for disasters and encourage their family and friends to also do so by participating in neighborhood preparedness activities, registering their contact information in the CodeRed mass notification system and visiting the County's preparedness campaign website at <u>https://www.edecgov.us/Government/PublicHealth/PublicHealthPreparedness</u> for essential information and preparedness tips.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of El Dorado County does hereby proclaim the month of September 2021 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 <u>www.facebook.com/edcpreparedness</u>, 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, held the 31st day of August, 2021.

Attest: Kim Dawson Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By KyleKuperus Deputy Clerk

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