STATE OF OREGON

PROCLAMATION

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS: September is National Preparedness Month, providing a valuable reminder for Oregonians to

take steps to prepare for emergencies and disasters of all types; and

Oregon's National Preparedness Month theme - "Plan Today. Ready Tomorrow." -- encourages WHEREAS:

individuals to take active steps now to plan for emergencies so that they are ready to act and respond

when emergencies occur; and

WHEREAS: Every Oregonian deserves to live in a community where hazards are understood and communicated, and

risk reduction is a shared and supported responsibility; and

WHEREAS: Over the last several years, Oregon has endured losses and impacts from historic emergencies and

disasters, including floods, wildfires, excessive heat, ice storms, and drought - all during a pandemic -

which has underscored the importance of being prepared; and

WHEREAS: When disaster strikes, it may take days or even weeks for responders to reach every impacted

Oregonian; individuals and families should take steps to be 2 Weeks Ready—having an emergency plan

and enough food, water, and supplies to survive for at least two weeks following any disaster; and

WHEREAS: The state's 2 Weeks Ready program empowers people to take preparedness actions by offering equitable

and accessible resources on being informed, making and practicing an emergency plan, and building an

emergency kit; and

WHEREAS: Being prepared for an emergency doesn't have to cost a lot; there are many simple and effective low-

cost and no-cost actions Oregonians can take today to be ready for tomorrow; and

WHEREAS: Every Oregonian can be ready for emergencies – it's about doing what you can, where you are, and with

what you have to keep yourself and your family safe.

NOW,

THEREFORE: I, Kate Brown, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim September 2022 to be

National Preparedness Month

in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day, August 24, 2022.

Kate Brown, Governor

Shemia Fagan, Secretary of State