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NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, each September is recognized as National Preparedness Month; and

WHEREAS, over the last couple of years we have witnessed natural and manmade disasters in other parts of the Country and our State; and

WHEREAS, some members of our community have experienced firsthand the impact of disaster; and

WHEREAS, every community member can take active steps to protect their families and neighbors from disaster; and

WHEREAS, every community member is encouraged to prepare to face the challenges after a disaster with adequate shelter, food, water and supplies; and

WHEREAS, every family and business in Cottage Grove is encouraged to take active steps to be financially secure after a disaster; and

WHEREAS, every community member is encouraged to make sure they are properly insured against fire, flood, earthquakes, and storms; and

NOW THEREFORE, I Jeffery D. Gowing, Mayor of Cottage Grove, Oregon, do hereby declare that the month of September, be known as

"Preparedness Month"

and join cities across Oregon to encourage everyone to improve their preparedness and participate in making their homes and families prepared for natural and manmade disasters.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Cottage Grove to be affixed this 22nd day of August, 2022.