

## *National Preparedness Month*

**WHEREAS**, National Preparedness Month creates an important opportunity for every resident and business within the City of La Habra to focus their attention on emergency preparedness for their family, home, or business for any type of emergency, including natural and man-made disasters and terrorist activities; and

**WHEREAS**, History shows that disasters often strike without warning and that preparedness on the part of individuals, businesses, and communities can do much to mitigate the devastating effects of such events; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of La Habra and much of Southern California is subject to potentially disastrous events such as earthquakes, wildfires, extreme heat, power outages, influenza, drought, transportation accidents, and other such events; and

**WHEREAS**, Emergency preparedness is the responsibility of every resident and business of the City of La Habra, and all residents are urged to make preparedness a priority and work together as a team to ensure that individuals, families, businesses, and the entire community are prepared for emergencies of any type and duration.; and

**WHEREAS**, “America’s PrepareAthon!” is a national grassroots campaign for action to increase community preparedness and resilience and an opportunity to join others around the country to practice your preparedness; and

**WHEREAS**, all residents and businesses of La Habra are encouraged to participate in preparedness activities and visit preparedness websites like “ReadyOC.org,” “Ready.gov,” and “Ready.gov/es” to obtain information to aid in becoming better prepared, and to participate in the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED**, the City Council of the City of La Habra hereby proclaim September 2020, as “National Preparedness Month” and encourages all residents and businesses of La Habra to develop their own emergency preparedness plan and work together towards creating a well-prepared community.

**DATED** this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September 2020.

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Tom Beamish,  
Mayor

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Laurie J. Swindell, CMC  
City Clerk