



Mayoral Proclamation

National Preparedness Month - September 2022

WHEREAS, the theme of this year's National Preparedness Month is:

"A Lasting Legacy-The life you've built is worth protecting. Prepare for disasters to create a lasting legacy for you and your family."

WHEREAS, National Preparedness Month is observed every September to raise awareness about the importance of preparing for disasters and emergencies that could happen at any time; and

WHEREAS, this month, make sure you and your family have a plan for when disaster strikes; and

WHEREAS, National Preparedness Month creates an important opportunity for the Takoma Park community to focus on preparing its homes, businesses, churches, schools and institutions for any type of emergency including storms, natural disasters, and accidents; and

WHEREAS, investing in preparedness can reduce fatalities, prevent physical and economic damage, and aid in accelerated recovery after events in our communities; and

WHEREAS, the Takoma Park Emergency Preparedness Committee advises the City Council on preparedness issues and serves as a resource for residents by promoting preparedness at community events, writing articles, hosting activities, and preparing educational materials; and

WHEREAS, all residents of the City of Takoma Park are encouraged to be informed, make a plan, build a kit for disasters, and get involved in preparedness activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KATE STEWART, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, hereby proclaim September 2022 as Preparedness Month in Takoma Park, and encourage all residents, families, organizations and businesses to develop their own emergency plans, and work together toward creating a more prepared and resilient community.

Dated this 14th day of September, 2022.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kate Stewart", is written over a horizontal line.

Kate Stewart
Mayor