

STATE OF OREGON
PROCLAMATION
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS: "National Preparedness Month" creates a significant opportunity for every Oregonian to learn more about ways to prepare for all types of emergencies, from potential terrorist attacks to natural disasters; and

WHEREAS: Adequate emergency preparation for a natural disaster, major disease outbreak, terrorist attack or other large-scale emergency is vital to the health and well-being of every Oregonian and can reduce harm to people, damage to property and financial loss; and

WHEREAS: The U.S. Department of Homeland Security and other federal, state and local officials and the private sector are working to deter, prevent and respond to all types of emergencies; and

WHEREAS: The Oregon Military Department and Oregon Emergency Management have made it a top priority to conduct outreach and educate the citizens of Oregon in the importance of preparing for emergencies; and

WHEREAS: Many communities across Oregon are taking the steps to train, educate, prepare, and equip their constituents for disaster events through programs such as *Map Your Neighborhood, Are You Ready?*, and by building a 72-hour kit; and

WHEREAS: Citizen Corps in Oregon is very active in promoting the five component areas of Community Emergency Response Teams, Medical Reserve Corps, Volunteers in Police Service, Neighborhood Watch and Fire Corps; and

WHEREAS: As we observe "National Preparedness Month," Oregonians are urged to participate in citizen preparedness activities, and to review the Department of Homeland Security's Ready campaign websites at www.ready.gov and www.listo.gov for more information.

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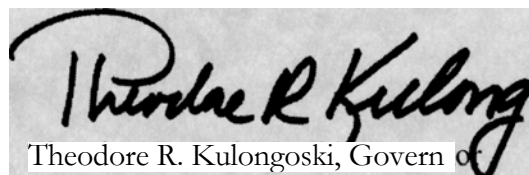
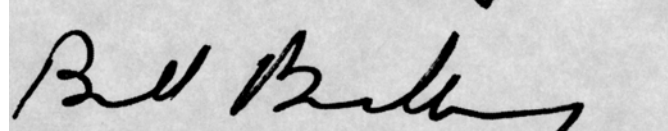
THEREFORE: I, Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **September 2008** to be

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 21, 2008.




Theodore R. Kulongoski, Govern of


Bill Bradbury, Secretary of State