

WHEREAS, The State of Texas historically leads the nation in the number of federally declared disasters; be they natural hazards, technological, or human-caused; and,

WHEREAS, "National Preparedness Month" is an opportunity to inform and educate residents, businesses, schools, and communities to be more prepared by developing the capabilities needed to prevent, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate against all threats and hazards; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bastrop, along with others in the Capital Area Council of Governments (CAPCOG) region, encourages all residents to participate in preparedness activities and are asked to review preparedness information at *Ready.gov*, and to sign up to receive emergency alerts via *WarnCentralTexas.org* to become more knowledgeable and prepared; and

WHEREAS, investing in the preparedness of ourselves, our families, businesses, and communities can reduce fatalities and economic devastation throughout our nation; and

WHEREAS, emergency preparedness is the responsibility of all citizens in the city and county to make preparedness a priority with the goal of shared individual and community safety and resilience;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sylvia Carrillo-Trevino, City Manager of the City of Bastrop, Texas, do hereby proclaim September 2024 as:

NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

and encourages all residents, businesses, schools, and communities to develop emergency preparedness and resiliency plans and to register at *WarnCentralTexas.org* to receive emergency alerts.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Bastrop, Texas to be affixed this 10th day of September, 2024.

Sýlvia Carrillo-Trevino, City Manager