





## Proclamation

## **American Red Cross Month, March 2023**

## TO THE CITIZENS OF BEL AIRE, KANSAS, GREETINGS:

**WHEREAS**, March is American Red Cross Month - a special time to recognize and thank our heroes—those who volunteer, take life-saving courses or provide financial donations to support an organization whose mission is to help those in need; and

**WHEREAS**, we would like to remember those who help all of us here in Bel Aire, KS by giving their time to help their neighbor and thank our heroes, our volunteers, class takers and financial supporters who help us assist those in need; and

**WHEREAS**, in the City of Bel Aire, the American Red Cross works tirelessly through its employees and thousands of volunteers to help when disaster strikes, when someone needs life-saving blood or the comfort of a helping hand; and

**WHEREAS**, across the country, the American Red Cross responds to nearly 70,000 disasters a year, and provides some 400,000 services to military members, veterans and civilians, collects and distributes about 40 percent of the nation's blood supply and trains more than seven million people in first aid, water safety and other lifesaving skills every year; and

**WHEREAS**, our community depends on the American Red Cross, which relies on donations of time, money and blood to fulfill its humanitarian mission. The American Red Cross continues to offer help and comfort to those in need.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Jim Benage, Mayor of the City of Bel Aire, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim March 2023 as American Red Cross Month in Bel Aire.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of Bel Aire, Kansas this 7th day of March, 2023.

Jim Benage, Mayor