

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, September 2025 is recognized as "National Preparedness Month" and creates an opportunity to raise awareness about the importance of emergency preparedness and to encourage community members to take the time to understand local hazards, evaluate readiness, create or update emergency preparedness plans, and begin developing or updating their emergency preparedness kits; and

WHEREAS, investing in the preparedness of ourselves, our families, businesses, and community can reduce losses and economic devastation in our community and in our nation; and

WHEREAS, National Preparedness Month creates an opportunity for every resident in the City of Fort Collins to prepare their homes, businesses, and communities for any type of emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Emergency Preparedness and Security has developed a comprehensive emergency preparedness program for the community, including the Fort Collins Volunteer Response Team that encourages community members to volunteer or otherwise help improve our community's resilience; and

WHEREAS, emergency preparedness is the responsibility of every resident and business owner in the City of Fort Collins, and everyone is urged to make preparedness a priority and work together as a team to ensure that individuals, families, and the community is prepared for disasters and emergencies of any type.

NOW, **THEREFORE**, I, Jeni Arndt, Mayor of the City of Fort Collins, do hereby proclaim the month of September, 2025, as

NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

and encourage all residents and businesses to develop their own preparedness plan, and work together toward creating a more prepared and resilient community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the City of Fort Collins this 2nd day of September, 2025.

	Mayor	
ATTEST:		
City Clerk	<u> </u>	