

**WHEREAS**, September marks National Preparedness Month, the annual campaign to remind everyone that preparing for emergencies and disasters can keep them, their families, and their communities safe; and

**WHEREAS**, disasters often strike quickly, with little or no warning, and residents might be forced to evacuate neighborhoods, schools, and worksites, or be confined to homes; and

**WHEREAS**, the challenges posed by climate change, such as more intense storms, heat waves, drought, wildfires, and extreme flooding could significantly alter the types and magnitudes of hazards faced by communities; and

**WHEREAS**, preparedness is the responsibility of every resident of the City of Tualatin, and all residents are urged to make preparedness a priority and work together, as a team, to ensure that individuals, families, and communities are prepared for disasters and emergencies of any type; and

**WHEREAS**, National Preparedness Month creates a significant opportunity for every resident of the City of Tualatin to reflect and act on shared responsibility to be prepared; and

**WHEREAS**, the City supports and encourages participation in the Tualatin Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) so our community can be prepared, trained, and respond to emergencies; and

**WHEREAS**, we commit, as a community, to non-discrimination and equitable participation in planning for and responding to disasters; and

WHEREAS, individuals, neighborhoods, businesses and communities can all take steps to increase their resilience and look out for one another when major emergencies or disasters strike.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TUALATIN, that September 2025 is:

National Preparedness Month

and encourages all residents and businesses to develop their own emergency preparedness plan and work together toward creating a more prepared community.

INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2025.

CITY OF TUALATIN, OREGON
BY
Mayor

