



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, during American Red Cross Month in March, we celebrate the humanitarian spirit of Tupelo, Mississippi, and reaffirm our commitment to help ensure no one faces a crisis alone; and

WHEREAS, caring for one another is at the heart of our community and exemplified by the people of Tupelo, whose simple acts of kindness through the Red Cross provide help and hope in people's most difficult moments — continuing the lifesaving legacy of Clara Barton, who founded the organization more than 140 years ago to prevent and alleviate human suffering; and

WHEREAS, every day, these ordinary individuals lend a helping hand to make an extraordinary difference for neighbors in need — whether it's providing emergency shelter, food and comfort for families displaced by home fires and other disasters; supporting military members and veterans, along with their families and caregivers, through the unique challenges of service; using vital skills like first aid and CPR to help others survive medical emergencies; or delivering international humanitarian aid and reconnecting loved ones separated by crises around the world; and

WHEREAS, their support, volunteerism and generous donations are critical to our community's resilience. We hereby recognize this month of March in honor of all those who fulfill Clara Barton's noble words, "You must never think of anything except the need and how to meet it," and ask everyone to join in this commitment.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Todd Jordan, Mayor of Tupelo, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of Tupelo, and the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim March 2023 as

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in the City of Tupelo and I encourage all citizens to reach out and support its humanitarian mission.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 21st day of March, in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty-three, and of the City of Tupelo, Mississippi.

Todd Jordan, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kim Hanna, City Clerk