



**WHEREAS**, National Preparedness Month, occurring annually in September since 9/11, creates an ideal opportunity for every resident of McKinney to prepare their home, business, and community for any type of emergency including natural, technological, and human caused events; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2024 National Preparedness Month theme is Preparing Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Communities for Disaster. Corresponding weekly messaging includes: Home preparedness; Communication and notification preparedness; Emergency kits, and Power outage preparedness; and

**WHEREAS**, during an emergency, every second counts, and emergency preparedness programs educate individuals and families on how to prepare before, during, and after a disaster. Planning now, before a disaster is the best way to improve community resiliency and foster a quicker return towards normalcy; and

**WHEREAS**, the McKinney Office of Emergency Management partners with federal, state, local, private, civic, faith-based, non-profits, and volunteer agencies to educate individuals and businesses on local hazards, how to prepare for them, and how to take-action through its KnowWhat2Do! disaster public education campaign, and Community Emergency Response Team volunteer program; and

**WHEREAS**, emergency preparedness is the responsibility of everyone, and all McKinney residents are encouraged to plan ahead for emergencies and disasters by picking up a KnowWhat2Do! preparedness bag at the Ron and Helen Hall Memorial Library or the John and Judy Gay Public Library during the month of September, and engaging family members in preparedness discussions and activities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE C. FULLER, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM SEPTEMBER 2024 AS**

## **NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH**

**IN MCKINNEY, TEXAS, WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS DAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2024.**

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GEORGE C. FULLER, Mayor

ATTEST:

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EMPRESS DRANE, City Secretary