

PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver

Proclamation No. CP14-0795

Recognizing National Preparedness Month and National Day of Action on September 30, 2014, and Recognizing David E. Cook for being an Honorable Mention “Community Preparedness Hero” as part of FEMA’s 2014 Community Preparedness Awards

WHEREAS, National Preparedness Month is a nation-wide, community-based campaign to increase emergency preparedness across the United States to help ensure that our homes, workplaces, schools, houses of worship and community-based organizations are prepared for disaster events, helping to reduce fatalities and economic devastation following a major crises; and

WHEREAS, National Days of Action are set to encourage participation in drills, exercises and discussions to build community resiliency, and the second National Day of Action for 2014 will be held on September 30; and

WHEREAS, Denver’s Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (OEMHS) encourages Denver employees, residents, neighborhood associations, businesses and community organizations to participate in some preparedness activity during the month of September and to sign up for Denver’s Community Emergency Response Training (CERT) offered monthly at <http://www.DenverGov.org/OEM>; and

WHEREAS, OEMHS also encourages people with disabilities and their care givers and people with Spanish as their primary language to sign up for special offerings in September and October of the Denver Community Emergency Response Training (CERT) class to meet their specific needs at <http://www.DenverGov.org/OEM>; and

WHEREAS, on September 8, 2014, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) announced that a Denver CERT volunteer, David E. Cook, has received an Honorable Mention, “Community Preparedness Hero” as part of FEMA’s 2014 Community Preparedness Awards by serving the Denver community as a trainer, facilitator and exercise coordinator, training more than 4000 people over the last several years and volunteering in numerous emergency events and exercises, including the 2013 Colorado floods;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER:

Section 1. That the Council hereby recognizes National Preparedness Month, Denver’s Day of Action and David E. Cook and encourages Denver residents to join millions of Americans in learning and practicing the steps necessary to stay safe before, during and after a disaster.

Section 2. That the Clerk of the City and County of Denver shall attest and affix the seal of the City and County of Denver to this proclamation and transmit it to the Denver Office of Emergency Management & Homeland Security.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL September 15, 2014

PRESIDENT