



**Proclamation No. 21-0993
National Preparedness Month, September 2021**

WHEREAS, “National Preparedness Month” creates an important opportunity for every resident of Denver to prepare their homes, businesses, and communities for any type of emergency including natural disasters and potential terrorist attacks. As Denver continues to respond to COVID-19, there is no better time to be involved than this September. The 2021 NPM theme is: “Prepare to Protect”; and

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

WHEREAS, Colorado continues to endure emergencies and disasters such as wildfires, degraded air quality, flooding, mudslides and road closures; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s Ready Campaign, Citizen Corps, and Denver Office of Emergency Management, state, local, private, and volunteer agencies are working to increase public activities in preparing for emergencies and to educate individuals on how to take action; and

WHEREAS, emergency preparedness is the responsibility of every individual and all citizens 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, all citizens of Denver are encouraged to participate in community preparedness activities and asked to visit the websites of the Ready campaign at [Ready.gov](https://www.ready.gov) or [Listo.gov](https://www.listo.gov) (in Spanish) and become more prepared.

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

Section 1. That the Council of the City and County of Denver formerly designates September 2021 as National Preparedness Month and encourages all individuals and businesses to develop their own emergency preparedness plan and work together toward creating a more prepared society.

Section 2. That the Clerk of the City and County of Denver shall affix the seal of the City and County of Denver to this proclamation and that a copy be transmitted to the Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security of the City and County of Denver.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL, August 30, 2021

PRESIDENT