

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 300802

ADOPTED ON SEP 12 2005

WHEREAS, California residents have experienced the effects of various disasters ranging from severe winter storms to major earthquakes and devastating wildland fires, resulting in costs of hundreds of millions of dollars; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego recently suffered the effects of the most destructive firestorm in San Diego history, the second most destructive in California history; and

WHEREAS, Domestic Preparedness and Homeland Security continue to be of critical importance in the fight against terrorism; and

WHEREAS, loss of life and property damage can be greatly reduced if appropriate emergency preparedness measures are taken before, during, and after a major emergency; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Homeland Security and the American Red Cross are co-sponsoring September as National Preparedness Month; and

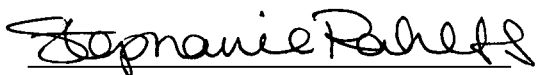
WHEREAS, local community groups, businesses, and schools have joined the Unified San Diego County Emergency Services Organization in advising, informing, and educating individuals about disaster preparedness; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the people of San Diego, does hereby urge all persons to participate in the countywide Duck, Cover, and Hold Drill on Thursday, September 15, at 10:30 a.m., by taking protective actions as if an earthquake had actually occurred; and encourage all persons to

increase their knowledge and awareness of proper safety measures to follow during any emergency or disaster.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the month of September 2005 be and is hereby proclaimed to be "NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH" in the City of San Diego.

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