

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, September marks National Preparedness Month, the annual campaign to remind everyone that preparing for emergencies and disasters can keep them, their families, and their communities safe; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria joins its local, regional, state, and federal partners in recognizing National Preparedness Month to remind the community of the importance of being prepared; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria is at risk for a variety of threats, including severe weather, coastal and inland flooding, extreme heat and cold, winter storms, acts of terrorism, transportation incidents, and other hazards; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria Office of Emergency Management (OEM) provides resources and information to help all Alexandrians prepare for the threats and hazards most likely to impact our community; and

WHEREAS, it is vital that all members of our community, especially those with disabilities and access and functional needs, utilize available resources to support them in their preparedness activities during National Preparedness Month and throughout the year.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALYIA GASKINS, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby recognize the month of September 2025 as:

“NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH”

In the City of Alexandria and the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) urges all Alexandria residents and businesses to take steps now to prepare for emergencies that could impact the community. Visit the OEM website (alexandriava.gov/EmergencyManagement) for more information and resources.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 30th day of September 2025.

MAYOR ALYIA GASKINS
On behalf of the City Council
of Alexandria, Virginia

ATTEST:

Gloria A. Sitton, CMC City Clerk