

**PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, September 2017 is recognized as National Preparedness Month; and

**WHEREAS**, the City will provide opportunities for all Alexandrians to learn the value of emergency preparedness, and educate the public about the importance of being prepared for all types of emergencies and disasters; and

**WHEREAS**, all Alexandrians can take steps to prepare for emergencies and disasters by making a plan, having an emergency supply kit, being informed, and becoming involved; and

**WHEREAS**, businesses can prepare for emergencies and disasters by having a plan, educating employees, and protecting their investments; and

**WHEREAS**, residents will learn skills that will help themselves and others, volunteer for organizations that help keep our communities thriving and safe, and reach out to help neighbors when emergencies strike; and

**WHEREAS**, during this month, we also pay tribute to those who are dedicated to maintaining our health and safety, we honor those who rush into danger to help others, and we remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice; and

**WHEREAS**, the City and its community partners continue to lead the effort to promote community involvement in preparedness events and activities throughout this month and in the coming months.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALLISON SILBERBERG**, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby recognize September, 2017 as:

**“ALEXANDRIA PREPAREDNESS MONTH”**

Inviting all Alexandrians to work with their loved ones and neighbors; in their communities, workplaces and businesses; and with community organizations and local government, to be prepared for any emergency that arises.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 12th day of September, 2017.

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**MAYOR ALLISON SILBERBERG**

On behalf of the City Council  
of Alexandria, Virginia

ATTEST:

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Gloria A. Sitton, CMC City Clerk