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PROCLAMATION DECLARING SEPTEMBER AS NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH IN THE CITY OF YORK, PA

WHEREAS, National Preparedness Month is a nationwide coordinated effort sponsored by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security each September to encourage Americans to prepare for emergencies in their homes, businesses, and schools; and,

WHEREAS, this event aims to increase public awareness concerning the importance of preparing for emergencies and to persuade individuals to take action; and,

WHEREAS, the City of York Department of Fire/Rescue Services and the York County Office of Emergency Management offers training to members of neighborhoods, community organizations or workplaces in basic emergency response skills; and,

WHEREAS, the York City Emergency Response Team ("CERT") urges residents to take measures to make themselves and their families better prepared for emergencies; and,

WHEREAS, being prepared includes creating an emergency supply kit in the event of an emergency, developing a plan that addresses sheltering or evacuating the area, staying informed about different threats that could affect your community, and getting involved by training in first aid and emergency response; and,

WHEREAS, throughout the year, the York City CERT promotes emergency preparedness by keeping abreast of severe weather advisories from the National Weather Service, offering residents training in emergency disaster and preparedness, fire safety and suppression, disaster medical operations, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster psychology, and has implemented the city's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan; and,

WHEREAS, York City Council would like to officially recognize the York City Department of Fire/Rescue Services and the York County Office of Emergency Management, its community partners, and the many other volunteer and civic organizations that routinely offer their invaluable services to our community.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, by the Council of the City of York, Pennsylvania, that the month of September 2013 be designated as **NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH** in the City of York, PA.

Presented on behalf of York City Council Members David Satterlee,
Michael Ray Helfrich, Renee S. Nelson, Henry Hay Nixon, Vice President
and Carol Hill-Evans, President.

Given under the seal of the City of York, Pennsylvania, this third day of
September two-thousand and thirteen.

Presented by: _____
Carol Hill-Evans, President of York City Council

