

#### **Staff Report**

For City Council Meeting 9/4/2019

Subject - Ordinances/Resolutions - National Preparedness Month "Home Inventory Week" Proclamation

**Synopsis** - September is widely recognized as National Preparedness Month. The City has received an invitation from The Oregon Division of Financial Regulation to proclaim the first week of September (1st-7th) "Home Inventory Week" where residents are encouraged to contact their insurance agent to build home inventory, and review coverage is sufficient in preparation for all types of disasters.

**Recommendation:** The Council has the following options regarding the proposed resolution:

- 1) Resolve to proclaim September 1st-7th "Home Inventory Week";
- 2) Do nothing.

Legal Analysis: N/A

Financial Analysis: N/A

Respectfully Submitted,

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Dear Mayor and City Council,

Last year, more than 846,000 acres were burned, and about 4,000 Oregonians had to evacuate their homes. This year's wildfire season is far from over, which means time to prepare is now.

September is national preparedness month. A time of year to get ready for all types of disasters. Fires, earthquakes, floods, tornadoes, and winter storms are just a few of reasons to build an emergency kit and plan an escape route.

Those steps are essential to preparation, but two others are equally important and often overlooked – creating a home inventory and reviewing insurance coverage.

Having the right insurance coverage and an up-to-date home inventory are critical to financial resiliency. That importance is highlighted by the fact that National Preparedness Month is being kicked off with "Insurance Week" Sept. 1-7.

The Oregon Division of Financial Regulation invites you to join our efforts to help Oregonians protect their property and recover from disaster by declaring the first week of September as **Home Inventory Week**.

It is easy to get involved. Visit <u>dfr.oregon.gov/preparenow</u> to get a draft proclamation, promotional flyers, social media content, and other resources to help your neighbors and constituents prepare for the next disaster by building a home inventory and reviewing their insurance coverage.

If you have any questions about "Home Inventory Week" or need anything else, please contact our Outreach Coordinator Kevin Jeffries, <a href="kevin.p.jeffries@oregon.gov">kevin.p.jeffries@oregon.gov</a> 503-947-7238

Sincerely,

Andrew Stolfi

Insurance Commissioner

Oregon Division of Financial Regulation

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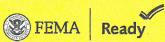




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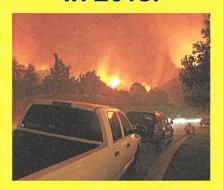


National Preparedness Month 2019

In 2018:



More than 500,000 acres burned statewide



Nearly 4,000
Oregonians
evacuated from
wildfires



Over 300 earthquakes in Oregon

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WHEREAS, each September is recognized as National Preparedness Month; and
WHEREAS, Oregonians have witnessed and experienced natural disasters in our own community; and
WHEREAS, every community member can take active steps to protect their families and neighbors from natural and manmade disasters; and
WHEREAS, every family and business in (city, county, municipality) is encouraged to take active steps to be financially secure after a disaster; and
WHEREAS, every community member is encouraged to make sure they are properly insured against fire, flood, earthquakes, and storms; and
WHEREAS, every community member is encouraged to create a home inventory to include as part of their disaster preparedness kit,
NOW THEREFORE, I Mayor of the city of do hereby declare that the week of September 1, through September 7, 2019, be known as
Home Inventory Week
and join cities across Oregon to encourage everyone to build a home inventory of their personal property, and speak with an insurance agent to make sure they are financially prepared for a disaster.
THEREFORE, I have ordered there be placed on this proclamation, the seal of the city of and here by place my signature on (date)
Signed: Mayor