

Proclamation



DC PREPAREDNESS MONTH

SEPTEMBER 2020

WHEREAS, the month of September is recognized as National Preparedness Month, an annual reminder for residents and businesses to be prepared for disasters and emergencies; and

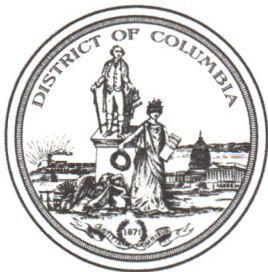
WHEREAS, during an emergency, every second counts and emergency preparedness programs educate individuals on how to prepare before, during and after a disaster; and

WHEREAS, these programs also address threats of severe weather, terrorism, crime and other potentially life-threatening circumstances to make our communities better prepared, resilient and safer; and

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (DC HSEMA) spearheads efforts to promote an all-hazards approach to emergency preparedness by providing ongoing services to include outreach, educating, training and planning to ensure the District is engaging the community on how to prepare, respond, recover and mitigate against disasters; and

WHEREAS, ReadyDC, the District's preparedness campaign, encourages residents to assume personal responsibility in preparing for emergencies by taking four easy steps: Be Aware, Make a Plan, Build an Emergency Kit and Stay Informed:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF WASHINGTON DC, do hereby proclaim September 2020, as "DC PREPAREDNESS MONTH."



A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Muriel Bowser". The signature is written over a horizontal line.