

**A Proclamation of the City Council of the
City of Commerce
Designating the Month of September 2016
As
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH**

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is sponsoring National Preparedness Month; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, American Red Cross, American Prepared Campaign, The National Association of Broadcasters, and The U.S. Department of Education have proclaimed the month of September 2016, as “National Preparedness Month”; and

WHEREAS, during “National Preparedness Month” the City of Commerce along with FEMA, the Department of Homeland Security and its coalition partners will promote the basic steps all Americans can take to prepare for emergencies by educating, training and preparing the communities within the City of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, lifesaving procedures and techniques will be highly emphasized during the month of September as the Governor’s Office of Emergency Services, with the assistance of city and county emergency services offices and other governmental agencies, service organizations, educational institutions, businesses and Neighborhood Watch groups, FEMA and the California State Department of Homeland Security, provides emergency preparedness information to citizens throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, the information provided by the City of Commerce Emergency Preparedness Office, “National Emergency Preparedness Month” should increase public awareness regarding procedures to follow during any emergency disaster; and

WHEREAS, this important safety information should be studied and observed throughout the year in order to reduce injuries, loss of life and property damage during an emergency or disaster;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Ivan Altamirano, Mayor of the City of Commerce, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2016, as “National Preparedness Month” and encourage all citizens and employees to enhance their knowledge and awareness of proper safety measures to follow before, during, and after an emergency or disaster.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 6th day of September 2016.

Ivan Altamirano, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lena Shumway, City Clerk