PROCLAMATION

West Linn, Oregon

WHEREAS, disasters occur every day in human life, some man-made and some as a result of our natural environment; and

WHEREAS, some natural disasters are unpredictable in nature, such as the much anticipated Cascadia subduction zone earthquake, whereas others are becoming more frequent and severe as our climate changes; and

WHEREAS, we face longer wildfire seasons, more severe droughts, heavier rainfall, and more frequent flooding; and

WHEREAS, one way we can respond to the unpredictable and severe nature of natural disasters and emergencies is to be prepared to respond; and

WHEREAS, there are simple but important steps we can all take to ensure we know what to do and have what we need in the event of an emergency; and

WHEREAS, one simple step is for households to assemble disaster supplies and make a plan to reconnect after a tragedy; and

WHEREAS, each of us can do our part to prepare for emergencies and help our neighbors and others affected by disasters; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST LINN, joins others in this nation to once again observe the month of September as:

NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

We encourage West Linn residents to promote family and community disaster and emergency preparedness now and throughout the year. We also pay tribute to the courageous individuals who rush to the scene of disaster and respond to catastrophic emergencies for their dedication to our safety and security. We honor them with our renewed commitment to ourselves be prepared and self-reliant as we possibly can be.

DATED THIS 5TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2023.

RORY BIALOSTOSKY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

KATHY MOLLUSKY, CITY RECORDER