PROCLAMATION ANNOUNCING SEPTEMBER 2016 AS NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH IN FORT BRAGG

WHEREAS, emergency preparedness is a priority for all of the citizens of Fort Bragg; and

WHEREAS, as proclaimed by President Obama on August 31, 2016, National Preparedness Month serves as a reminder that we all must take action to prepare, now and throughout the year, for the types of emergencies that could affect us where we live, work and also where we visit; and

WHEREAS, for residents living on the isolated Mendocino Coast, being prepared and organized is especially critical; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), through its Ready Campaign, has declared September as National Preparedness Month for the thirteenth year in a row; and

WHEREAS, FEMA's Ready Campaign has very practical and useful tools for individuals, families, organizations and businesses to assist in planning and preparing for emergencies; and

WHEREAS, residents of Fort Bragg and our neighboring communities are encouraged to establish emergency plans for themselves, their friends and loved ones to help when a disaster strikes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Bragg takes an active role in our community's preparedness by providing resources and tools to assist in preparing for an emergency, holding events throughout the year, distributing press releases, executing social media campaigns and working to establish a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program on the Mendocino Coast;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dave Turner, Mayor of the City of Fort Bragg, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim the Month of September 2016, as National Preparedness Month in Fort Bragg.

SIGNED this 12th day of September, 2016.

DAVE TURNER, Mayor

ATTEST:

June Lemos, City Clerk

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