WHEREAS, “National Preparedness Month” creates an important opportunity for every resident of Ohio to prepare their homes, businesses, schools, and communities for any type of emergency, including natural disasters; potential terrorist attacks; and contagious or infectious diseases such as common colds, influenza, or the coronavirus and its variants that can result in serious illness or death; and

WHEREAS, investing in the preparedness of ourselves, our families, businesses, and communities can reduce fatalities and economic devastation in our communities, our state, and our nation; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s Ready Campaign, and other federal, state, local, private, and volunteer agencies are working to increase public awareness in preparing for and responding to emergencies and to educate individuals on how to be self-sustaining until help can arrive; and

WHEREAS, this year’s National Preparedness Month theme is, “A Lasting Legacy,” and every citizen of Ohio is encouraged to prepare for disasters by creating a lasting legacy for themselves and their family; and

WHEREAS, during the month of September, citizens of Ohio are encouraged to visit Ready.Ohio.gov and FEMA’s Ready.gov for information on making an emergency plan, building disaster supply kits, knowing your risks, and preparing for disasters.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, Mike DeWine and Jon Husted, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize September 2022 as

NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

on this 1st day of September 2022.

Mike DeWine
Governor

Jon Husted
Lieutenant Governor