

RESOLUTION 231(21)

August 11, 2021

WHEREAS, National Preparedness Month, recognized each September, provides an opportunity to promote family and community disaster planning by reminding us that we all must prepare ourselves and our families now and throughout the year. This year's theme is "Prepare to Protect. Preparing for disasters is protecting everyone you love;" and

WHEREAS, no matter where you live, you are subject to disasters. National Preparedness Month is designed to educate and empower Americans to prepare for and respond to all types of emergencies in their homes, communities and businesses before they happen; and

WHEREAS, as our nation continues to respond to COVID-19, the OCEAN COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT and the OCEAN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH, recognizes the need to increase public awareness about the importance of emergency and public health preparedness in Ocean County; and

WHEREAS, the OCEAN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH and the OCEAN COUNTY MEDICAL RESERVE CORP is therefore actively participating this September in National Preparedness Month conducting outreach activities urging Ocean County residents to:

- Be informed about the different types of Public Health emergencies that could occur in Ocean County and their appropriate responses
- Build A Kit: gather supplies that will last for several days after a disaster for everyone living in your home.
- Make A Plan: talk to your friends and family about how you will communicate before, during and after a disaster.
- Teach Youth About Preparedness: talk to your children about preparing for emergencies and what to do in case you are separated. Reassure them by providing information about how they can get involved.
- Get Involved: Find opportunities to support community preparedness
- Business: Plan for and protect business

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Ocean County Board of Health that September 2021, is hereby recognized as National Preparedness Month in Ocean County and encourages all citizens and organizations to take action to become better prepared for any disaster or emergency.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the resolution shall be forwarded to the Ocean County Board of Commissioners.

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Ayes	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Abstain									
Nays									
Absent									


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