

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS,** National Preparedness Month is a Nationwide effort held each September to encourage Americans to take simple steps to prepare for emergencies in their homes, businesses, and schools; and

**WHEREAS,** National Preparedness Month 2009 is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security whose goal is to highlight the importance of family emergency preparedness and promote individual involvement through events and activities across the Nation; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Torrance supports the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's National Preparedness Month campaign and its goal to increase public awareness regarding the importance of preparing for emergencies; and

**WHEREAS,** all residents of Torrance are encouraged to continue taking emergency preparedness actions to make themselves, their neighborhoods, businesses, and schools more self-sufficient in the event of a catastrophic earthquake, wildland fire, tsunami or other disaster; and

**WHEREAS,** in recognition of National Preparedness Month, the City of Torrance will be hosting a Disaster Preparedness Expo on Saturday, October 10, 2009 from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the Torrance Cultural Arts Center to assist residents in becoming more prepared.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANK SCOTTO, as Mayor of the City of Torrance,** California, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2009 as

## ***NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH***

in the City of Torrance, as sponsored by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Furthermore, I encourage all residents, neighborhoods, businesses, and schools to take steps to prepare for emergencies, and to participate in community events and activities throughout the month and year.

Signed this 15th day of September 2009.

---

Mayor Frank Scotto

ATTEST:

---

Sue Herbers, City Clerk