

WHEREAS: September is recognized as 'National Preparedness Month' which serves as a reminder that we all must take action to prepare, now and throughout the year, for all types of emergencies – from unforeseen natural disasters to deliberate acts; and

- WHEREAS: through the preparedness efforts of Pompano Beach Fire Rescue, 2016 marks the twenty (20) year anniversary of its Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program, and
- WHEREAS: CERT is a national volunteer program created to engage the community to prepare for, respond to and recover from any emergency situation or disaster; and
- WHEREAS: the Pompano Beach Fire Rescue CERT program educates residents about disaster preparedness and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, terrorism awareness and disaster medical operations; and
- WHEREAS: Pompano Beach Fire Rescue CERT volunteers remain a valuable resource dedicated to making our community safer, stronger and better prepared to respond to any emergency situation or disaster.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Lamar Fisher, Mayor of the City of Pompano Beach, Florida on behalf of the City Commission, do hereby recognize September as National Preparedness Month and acknowledge the Pompano Beach Fire Rescue CERT volunteers for their dedication and commitment to the City of Pompano Beach.

DONE this 13th day of September, 2016.



MAYOR