

**CITY OF LACEY**  
***Official Proclamation***

**WHEREAS**, in the Pacific Northwest, we face the threat of earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, weather events, floods, and human tragedies with unpredictable consequences which can disrupt power, communications, and travel infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, first responders may not always be able to reach community members quickly in an emergency or disaster; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lacey community can take action to prepare, respond, and recover from any natural or human disaster – the more who are prepared, the safer we stay and the faster our community will recover; and

**WHEREAS**, we encourage community members to learn more about preparedness by attending local events and visiting the [Ready.Gov](https://www.ready.gov) website to make a family preparedness plan, create an emergency kit and evacuation plan, prepare for local hazards, and teach youth about emergency education; and

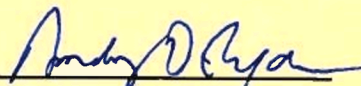
**WHEREAS**, we encourage the community to visit the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s website, [fema.gov](https://www.fema.gov), to learn more about this year’s theme “Helping Older Adults Prepare for Disaster”; and

**WHEREAS**, Lacey community members who are prepared to meet any emergency or disaster can be a positive influence on their neighbors by sharing their preparedness story and encouraging the participation of friends, family, and coworkers; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Andy Ryder, Mayor of the City of Lacey, on behalf of the Lacey City Council, do hereby recognize the month of September 2023, as

***Emergency Preparedness Month***

in Lacey and encourage all community members to prepare themselves, their families, and their neighbors for the consequences of an emergency.

  
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Mayor Andy Ryder  
September 21, 2023

