

## Madison County's PrepareAthon! Proclamation

WHEREAS Madison County's PrepareAthon! creates an important opportunity for residents of Madison County to be prepared for any type of emergency where they live, work, and play; and

WHEREAS taking steps toward personal preparedness and ensuring that our households, workplaces, schools, institutions of higher learning, houses of worship, and community-based organizations are prepared for disaster can reduce fatalities and economic devastation following a major crisis; and

WHEREAS participating in Madison County's PrepareAthon will increase the number of citizens who understand which disasters could happen in our community; and

WHEREAS our citizens will know what to do to be safe and mitigate damage; and

WHEREAS the citizens of Madison County will take action to increase their preparedness; and

WHEREAS Madison County will participate in community resilience planning; and

WHEREAS the Madison County Emergency Operations and other Federal, state, local, tribal, territorial, private, and volunteer agencies are working to increase public activities in preparing for emergencies and to encourage individuals to take action; and

WHEREAS emergency preparedness is the responsibility of every citizen of Madison County and all citizens are urged to make preparedness a priority and work together to ensure that individuals, families, and communities are prepared for disasters and emergencies of any type; and

WHEREAS participating in Madison County's PrepareAthon! will ensure that our community becomes a leader in preparedness and contributes to our Nation's resilience.

Therefore, we, The Madison County Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim September as Madison County's PrepareAthon! Month.