Proclamation

by

Steven L. Beshear
Governor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky

To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

WHEREAS, Preparedness Month is an opportunity to raise awareness about the importance of emergency preparedness and to encourage all Americans to better prepare their homes and communities for emergencies; and

WHEREAS, Protecting Kentucky's homeland and citizens is the shared responsibility of the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security, Kentucky Emergency Management and every citizen; and

WHEREAS, Individuals can create a culture of preparedness and can help save lives by taking simple steps such as organizing an emergency supply kit, making a personal preparedness plan, becoming informed about different threats, reviewing the recommendations found at www.ready.gov and getting involved in preparing their communities; and

WHEREAS, Homeland security and safety are essential to our citizens' best interests, and, as a matter of personal responsibility, call for anticipation of potential threats or hazards; and

WHEREAS, We will be forever grateful for the service and sacrifice of America's brave first responders – police officers, firefighters and emergency service personnel - who put themselves at risk for the safety of their fellow citizens and who exemplify the compassion and commitment that help strengthen our Commonwealth and our country; and

WHEREAS, I encourage all Kentuckians to get involved in their community's preparedness efforts;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEVEN L. BESHEAR, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim September 2012 as

PREPAREDNESS MONTH

in Kentucky in conjunction with National Preparedness Month, and commend this observance to all.

DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort the 9th day of August, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twelve and in the 221st year of the Commonwealth.

STEVEN L. BESHEAR
GOVERNOR

ALISON LUNDERGAN GRIMES
SECRETARY OF STATE