
HOUSE RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING MARCH 2008 AS AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH.

1 WHEREAS, the Hawaii State Chapter of the AMERICAN RED CROSS
2 has an unparalleled record of helping Hawaii's residents to
3 prevent, prepare for, and respond to life-threatening
4 emergencies by:

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6 (1) Delivering relief services to victims of disaster;

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8 (2) Offering health and safety training such as first aid,
9 CPR, and aquatic lifesaving to more than 36,000 people
10 statewide last year; and

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12 (3) Providing emergency communication services to military
13 families and participating in community education
14 projects to save lives;

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18 WHEREAS, preparation ranges from knowing what to do in a
19 natural or manmade disaster to having the skills to respond when
20 a family member has chest pains; and

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22 WHEREAS, the AMERICAN RED CROSS urges all Americans to take
23 simple steps for emergency preparedness, including outlining a
24 disaster-preparedness plan, assembling a disaster supplies kit,
25 volunteering to help the local community prepare for disasters,
26 and training at least one member of the household in first aid
27 and CPR; and

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29 WHEREAS, individuals can help make Hawaii and our nation
30 safer by joining the AMERICAN RED CROSS as a volunteer, course
31 participant, instructor, or contributor; and

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33 WHEREAS, during AMERICAN RED CROSS relief operations,
34 volunteers assess damages, drive emergency response vehicles to
35 distribute food and other supplies, provide shelter for families



1 who have been evacuated from their homes, and provide
2 necessities to the needy, and all services are provided free-of-
3 charge as a result of generous contributions from the people of
4 Hawaii; and

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6 WHEREAS, March 2008 has been recognized as American Red
7 Cross Month; now, therefore,

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9 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
10 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
11 Session of 2008, that all Hawaii residents are urged to work
12 through the Hawaii State Chapter of the AMERICAN RED CROSS to
13 help prepare their families and community for emergencies; and

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15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Hawaii's families are
16 encouraged to continue giving their time, financial
17 contributions, and blood donations to support the Hawaii State
18 Chapter of the AMERICAN RED CROSS' mission to prevent and
19 relieve suffering and to save lives.

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OFFERED BY:

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