

PROCLAMATION

Declaring May 2022 as Hurricane Preparedness Month Residents Encouraged to Prepare Now

WHEREAS historically destructive and deadly tropical storms and hurricanes have impacted the Town of Beaufort, *and*

WHEREAS during the Atlantic Hurricane Season, which occurs June 1 through November 30, the Town of Beaufort and surrounding areas are at risk of being impacted by powerful tropical storms and hurricanes, *and*

WHEREAS the high winds, storm surge, coastal erosion, and flooding associated with these storms threaten the lives and properties of our citizens, *and*

WHEREAS advance planning and preparation by citizens, businesses, communities, and government safeguards lives, protects property, mitigates impacts and enhances the Town's resilience, *and*

WHEREAS the Town of Beaufort's emergency management team continues to prepare for disasters such as hurricanes, *and*

WHEREAS Beaufort's emergency management team recommends that individuals, families, and businesses take important steps to prepare for the next major storm, including developing an emergency plan for your family and your pets, building an emergency supply kit, staying informed, preparing homes and businesses, *and*

WHEREAS all residents of the Town of Beaufort are encouraged to participate in preparedness activities and use the preparedness resources at www.beaufortnc.org.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sharon Harker, Mayor of the Town of Beaufort, do hereby proclaim May 2022 as

Hurricane Preparedness Month

The Town of Beaufort, and I urge all citizens to take cognizance of this event, *and* **FURTHER**, I urge all citizens to prepare now for the 2022 Hurricane Season.

Duly adopted this 15th day of April 2022.

Sharon Harker Mayor