



## PROCLAMATION National Preparedness Month September 2023

WHEREAS, National Preparedness Month, occurring annually in September since the events of 9/11/2001, creates an ideal opportunity for every resident of Mead, Colorado, to join citizens across the United States in preparing their homes, businesses, and communities for any type of emergency, including natural disasters and potential terrorist attacks; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency announced the 2023 National Preparedness Month theme of "Take Control in 1, 2, 3." and

WHEREAS, planning now, before a disaster, is the best way to improve community recovery from disasters; and

WHEREAS, when individuals take responsibility for preparing their families and their communities, the chance of survival and return to normalcy following a disaster is greatly increased; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Mead, Colorado, partners with federal, state, local, private, and volunteer agencies to educate individuals on local hazards and how to prepare for them,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Colleen Whitlow, Mayor of the Town of Mead, Weld County, Colorado, do hereby proclaim and call up on all citizens of the Town of Mead to observe the month of September 2023 as National Preparedness Month and call on all government agencies, private organizations, and the people and businesses of Mead, Colorado, to develop their own emergency preparedness plan, and work together toward creating a stronger, more resilient community.

Given under my hand and Seal of the Town of Mead, Colorado, this 11th day of September 2023.

Colleen G. Whitlow

Mayor