

City of Albany
Proclamation

IN HONOR OF AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH 2018

WHEREAS, American Red Cross Month is a special time to recognize and thank the Red Cross volunteers and donors who give of their time and resources to help members of the community; and

WHEREAS, across the country and around the world, the American Red Cross responds to disasters big and small; and

WHEREAS, the American Red Cross saw a record-breaking year in 2017 of challenging domestic and international response efforts; and

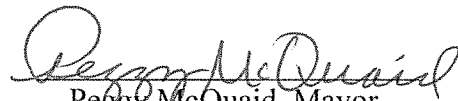
WHEREAS, the American Red Cross responded to many large and complex disasters in 2017 including back-to-back hurricanes, deadliest wildfires in California history, horrific mass shootings, and nearly 50,000 home fires, providing casework assistance to help 76,000 families recover; and

WHEREAS, the American Red Cross collects about 40 percent of the nation's blood supply, provides 24-hour support to military members, veterans and their families, teaches millions lifesaving skills such as lifeguarding and CPR, and through its Restoring Family Links program, connects family members separated by crisis, conflict or migration; and

WHEREAS, we would like applaud our heroes here in Albany who give of themselves to assist their neighbors and deliver help and hope during a disaster.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Albany City Council hereby proclaims March 2018 as American Red Cross Month, and encourages all to support the American Red Cross mission to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies.

Dated: March 5, 2018


Peggy McQuaid, Mayor