

City of Albany
Proclamation

IN HONOR OF AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH 2019

WHEREAS, The American Red Cross Bay Area was founded in 1898; and

WHEREAS, The American Red Cross, a leading voluntary agency chartered and authorized by Congress to act in times of need, provides compassionate assistance to people afflicted by personal, local or national disasters; and

WHEREAS, the lifeblood of the American Red Cross is its volunteers; and

WHEREAS, The American Red Cross helped 1,828 families with temporary housing, clothing, food and mental health counseling during 838 local disasters last year alone; and

WHEREAS, people have counted on the Red Cross for the information and skills they need to be safe at home, at work, at school and at play, and last year The American Red Cross trained 86,843 people in lifesaving CPR, First Aid, and water safety; and

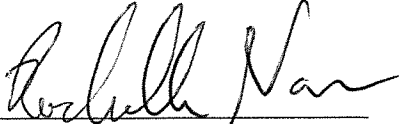
WHEREAS, through the Pillowcase Project and the Home Fires Campaign, 14,329 local individuals and families received fire prevention training, supplies and/or smoke alarms; and

WHEREAS, The Red Cross staff deployed with the U.S. Military to provide emergency communications, counseling, financial assistance and a caring presence to 912 local military families; and

WHEREAS, American Red Cross Blood Services supports Bay Area hospitals, providing them with more than 75,428 units of red cells, platelets and plasma annually to patients in need.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Albany City Council does hereby proclaim March 2019 as American Red Cross Month in the City of Albany for their invaluable work and efforts not only in our community but around the country.

Dated: March 18, 2019



Rochelle Nason, Mayor