

# *City of Albany*

## *Proclamation*

### **IN RECOGNITION OF AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH March 2022**

**WHEREAS**, in times of crisis, people in City of Albany come together to care for one another. This humanitarian spirit is part of the foundation of our community and is exemplified by American Red Cross volunteers and donors; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1881, Clara Barton founded the American Red Cross, turning her steadfast dedication for helping others into a bold mission of preventing and alleviating people's suffering; and

**WHEREAS**, today, more than 140 years later, we honor the kindness and generosity of Red Cross volunteers here in City of Albany, who continue to carry out Clara's lifesaving legacy, joining the millions of people across the United States who volunteer, give blood, donate financially or learn vital life-preserving skills through the Red Cross; and

**WHEREAS**, the contributions of local Red Cross volunteers give hope to the most vulnerable in their darkest hours — whether it's providing emergency shelter, food and comfort for families devastated by local disasters; donating essential blood for accident and burn victims, heart surgery and organ transplant patients, and those receiving treatment for leukemia, cancer or sickle cell disease; supporting service members and veterans, along with their families and caregivers, through the unique challenges of military life; helping to save the lives of others with first aid, CPR and other skills; or delivering international humanitarian aid.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Albany City Council does hereby proclaim March 2022 as American Red Cross Month in the City of Albany and encourage all of our community members to reach out and support its humanitarian mission.

Date: March 21, 2022

  
PRESTON JORDAN, MAYOR