

CITY OF CALISTOGA PROCLAMATION

Recognizing March as American Red Cross Month

WHEREAS, each March, the American Red Cross and its local community chapters are formally recognized for their essential humanitarian role in the cities and counties they serve; and

WHEREAS, every day, Napa County Red Cross volunteers and employees provide essential services in this community to help those affected by everything from house or apartment fires to floods, earthquakes, and other natural and human caused disasters, thanks to the generous support of the people in Napa County; and

WHEREAS, for more than 91 years, residents in Napa County have relied on the Red Cross to provide disaster relief, water safety and first aid, Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation/Automatic External Defibrillator training; and

WHEREAS, over the past year, Napa County Red Cross responded to 17 residential fires and helped 44 displaced people with emergency food, clothing and a warm, dry bed to sleep in throughout Napa County; and

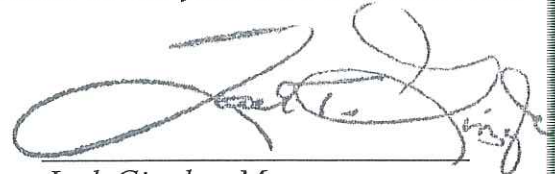
WHEREAS, over the past year, 5,437 individuals in Napa County have learned lifesaving skills through 656 classes offered by the Chapter; and

WHEREAS, over the past year, 185 teenagers have enrolled in American Red Cross Babysitters Training in Napa County; and

WHEREAS, 162 Napa County volunteers contributed 12,707 hours of service to the Chapter, serving as members of the Board, instructors teaching lifesaving skills, Disaster Action Team members, or disaster volunteers who traveled to other areas of the country when a disaster struck.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jack Gingles, Mayor of the City of Calistoga, do hereby proclaim March 2009 as American Red Cross Month and encourage all residents to support the Napa County Chapter of the American Red Cross and its noble humanitarian mission.

Signed and sealed, this third day of March, in the year Two Thousand and Nine.



Jack Gingles, Mayor