

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, March is American Red Cross month, when we recognize the compassion of people in Brentwood and reaffirm our commitment to care for one another in times of crisis; and

WHEREAS, this generous spirit is woven into the fabric of our community and advances the humanitarian legacy of American Red Cross founder Clara Barton — one of the most honored women in our country's history — who nobly dedicated herself to alleviating suffering; and

WHEREAS, people have counted on the American Red Cross for the information and skills they need to be safe at home, at work, at school, and at play, training people in lifesaving skills in CPR, first aid, fire prevention and water safety; and

WHEREAS, with 1,032 volunteers in Contra Costa County, the American Red Cross assisted or responded to 115 disasters; and through our Sound the Alarm program, the American Red Cross installed 583 smoke alarms, making 205 homes safer, and trained 577 individuals and families about fire prevention; and trained 617 youth through the Pillowcase Project and Prepare With Pedro; and

WHEREAS, Contra Costa County residents donated nearly 16,736 units of lifesaving blood; hosted 538 blood drives; and trained 6,522 citizens in first aid, CPR and AED; and 3,803 in Water Safety; and 756 military members and their families received support and services; and humanitarian aid was provided internationally; and

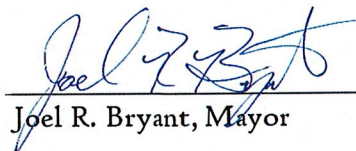
WHEREAS, we hereby recognize this month of March in honor of all those who lead with their hearts to serve people in need, and we ask everyone to join in this commitment to strengthen our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the City Council of the City of Brentwood does hereby recognize March 2024 as

RED CROSS MONTH

and encourage all residents to reach out and support its humanitarian mission.

Dated this 27th day of February 2024


Joel R. Bryant, Mayor

