

MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 10, 2011

TO: ALL HOUSE MEMBERS

FROM: REPRESENTATIVE MICHELLE F. BROWNLEE

RE: CO-SPONSORING RESOLUTION DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER 2011
AS "EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS MONTH" IN PENNSYLVANIA

Each year, the President proclaims September as "National Emergency Preparedness Month" to stress the importance of strengthening the security and resiliency of our Nation through systemic preparation for the full range of hazards threatening the United States in the 21st century, including natural disasters, cyber attacks, pandemic disease and acts of terrorism.

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and communities throughout the state also annually observe September as "Emergency Preparedness Month" in Pennsylvania to ensure residents and the townships, boroughs, cities and counties in which they live take the steps necessary to ready for any disaster, man-made or natural.

Therefore, I hope you will join with me in sponsoring a resolution that designates the month of September 2011 as "Emergency Preparedness Month" in Pennsylvania. The resolution will thank the countless paid personnel and volunteers who provide important emergency preparedness services that assist and protect our state's residents.

It also will urge residents to observe Emergency Preparedness Month by informing themselves through visiting the Federal Emergency Management Agency and Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency websites and using other resources on how they can become fully prepared for any and all emergencies.

Please contact Daisy Latham-Williams in my Harrisburg office at dlatham@pahouse.net or (717) 783-8752 to co-sponsor this resolution.

Thank you.