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RESOLUTION NO. 2014-6

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE "READY LAKE COUNTY" INITIATIVE BY MAKING EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS A PRIORITY.

WHEREAS, while **National Preparedness Month** is a nationwide effort held in September each year, to promote individual preparedness at home, in the workplace and throughout America's communities; and

WHEREAS, National Preparedness Month creates an important opportunity for every resident of Lake County to prepare for any type of emergency, including natural and man-made disasters; and

WHEREAS, our local safety authorities are excellent but limited, and will not be able to immediately help everyone who may need assistance in an emergency; therefore, **emergency preparedness** is the responsibility of every resident of Lake County; and

WHEREAS, a new Lake County initiative, "Ready Lake County" has been launched this month to educate county residents on emergency preparedness, to take action that provides greater safety and security for themselves and those for whom they are responsible; and

WHEREAS, Willoughby Hills will join all cities and townships across the county in support of this initiative throughout the month of September, including the outdoor display of the Ready Lake County banner, broadcast of messages on city TV station and website, access to literature, and by adopting this resolution; and

WHEREAS, Willoughby Hills City Council supports and encourages residents to consider the question: "Ready or Not, Here it Comes... What is Your Disaster Plan?" and also to visit ReadyLakeCounty.com or call the county information line of 2-1-1 for more information; and

WHEREAS, Willoughby Hills City Council encourages all residents and business operators in the city to communicate plans that would be executed in the event of an emergency, and to have ready ample supplies that provide nourishment, comfort, safety and security for people that residents and business operators are responsible for; and

WHEREAS, Willoughby Hills City Council encourages all residents to especially identify and monitor those most vulnerable in their households, businesses and neighborhoods, such as small children, the elderly, the disabled, as well as pets, and to include the support of these in their emergency preparedness plans.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF OHIO THAT:

<u>SECTION 1</u>. The Council of the City of Willoughby Hills hereby declares that September is "National Preparedness Month" in Willoughby Hills and urges all families and businesses to prepare their emergency plans and learn more about preparedness available through **"Ready Lake County"** (<u>ReadyLakeCounty.com</u>).

<u>SECTION 2</u>. The actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of legislation were conducted in lawful meetings of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in compliance with all legal requirements including Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Willoughby Hills.

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SECTION 3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect at the earliest time permitted by law.

Passed:

Submitted to the Mayor for his approval on this , 2014 day of-Attest: ictoria Ann Savage **Clerk of Council**

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President of Council Pro-tem

Approved by the Mayor:

September 11 , 2014

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