

A Proclamation

Declaring March 2012 Red Cross Month

WHEREAS: The American Red Cross has touched many lives in Clarendon County, South Carolina, as well as across the country and around the world; and

WHEREAS: During American Red Cross Month, we thank those who contribute to the mission of the Red Cross, whether through time, money or blood, and we invite others to support the Red Cross in helping people in need down the street, across the country and around the world; and

WHEREAS: The American Red Cross is synonymous with helping people, and has been doing so for more than 130 years. Throughout the past year, the American Red Cross launched hundreds of disaster relief operations in the United States to help people affected by fires, floods, hurricanes, and tornadoes. The American Red Cross also supported major international disasters, including the Japan earthquake and tsunami response, while continuing its work on the 2010 Haiti earthquake response and recovery; and

WHEREAS: In Clarendon County, the Red Cross works tirelessly through its 1 employee and 30 volunteers to support us when disaster strikes, when someone needs life-saving blood, or the comfort of a helping hand. It provides 24-hour support to members of the military, veterans and their families, and provides training in CPR, aquatics safety, and first aid; and

WHEREAS: For nearly 100 years, United States presidents have called on the American people to support the Red Cross and its humanitarian mission. Our community depends on the American Red Cross and because it is not a government agency, the Red Cross depends on support from the public to continue its humanitarian work. This is especially important in these challenging economic times – which impact the Red Cross and many people in our community and across the nation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dwight L. Stewart, Jr., Chairman of County Council, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of Clarendon County of South Carolina do hereby proclaim March 2012 as American Red Cross Month. I encourage all Americans to support this organization and its noble humanitarian mission.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 12th day of March, in the year of our Lord two thousand twelve, and of the County of Clarendon, South Carolina.



Dwight L. Stewart, Jr., Chairman
Clarendon County Council