

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

**HENDERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING DATE: November 2, 2009

SUBJECT: Resolution – Henderson County Red Cross Day

ATTACHMENTS: Yes
1. Resolution

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

Mike Williams, with the Henderson County Chapter of the American Red Cross, has requested that the Board of Commissioners adopt the attached Resolution establishing November 18 as Henderson County's Red Cross Day.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

The Board is requested to adopt the Resolution as presented.

Suggested Motion:

I move the Board of Commissioners adopt the Resolution as presented, establishing November 18 as Henderson County's Red Cross Day.

RESOLUTION

BY THE HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HENDERSON COUNTY RED CROSS DAY

- WHEREAS, the Henderson County Red Cross is standing by continuously to respond to disaster events affecting citizens of our community and responds at the time and scene of the event, usually within one hour of notification; and
- WHEREAS, the Henderson County Red Cross averages almost 40 local disaster responses each year, mostly home fires, and arrives at the disaster scene to assure that the affected individuals have safe shelter to go to, food, clothing and necessary personal supplies; and
- WHEREAS, the Henderson County Red Cross, in collaborative cooperation with the County Emergency Manager and Department of Social Services, opens and operates the community mass care emergency shelters most often required during winter storm-caused power outages and ensures that our community will have a safe place to stay and food to eat until the disaster situation is resolved; and
- WHEREAS, the Henderson County Red Cross provides skill and preparedness training to over 4,000 individuals in our county each year, including first aid, CPR and disaster preparedness designed to reduce the risk and affect of emergency situations; and
- WHEREAS, the Henderson County Red Cross is the liaison for active duty members of our country's Armed Forces to maintain communications with local family and receive emergency support; and
- WHEREAS, the Henderson County Red Cross collects over 5,900 units of blood for our country's medical needs, blood that is needed when our local neighbors undergo cancer treatments, hip replacements and other life-saving or life-improving procedures; and
- WHEREAS, the Henderson County Red Cross provides an opportunity for neighbors to help their neighbors at times of some of the greatest needs; and
- WHEREAS, the 182 volunteers and 3 ½ staff members of the Henderson County Red Cross have consistently demonstrated their commitment to making our community a safer and better place to live;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Henderson County Board of Commissioners, at their meeting on November 2, 2009 does hereby establishing November 18 as Henderson County's Red Cross Day.

Adopted this the 2nd day of November, 2009.

William L. Moyer, Chairman

Teresa L. Wilson, Clerk to the Board