

1 [Earthquake Preparedness Month - April]

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3 **Resolution recognizing the month of April as Earthquake Preparedness Month.**

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5 WHEREAS, Californians have witnessed and experienced earthquakes that have
6 resulted in significant property damage, injuries and loss of life, and indirect costs; and

7 WHEREAS, As many as 10,000 earthquakes occur each year in California and
8 mitigation measures can save lives, reduce property damage, and alleviate economic
9 dislocation caused by earthquakes; and

10 WHEREAS, California is the first state in the nation to offer free, cutting-edge
11 technology designed to alert Californians before shaking begins through the Earthquake
12 Warning California system, including the MyShake App, Android Earthquake Alerts, and
13 Wireless Emergency Alerts; and

14 WHEREAS, Every community member of San Francisco can take proactive steps by
15 learning about the latest technology and innovations available at no-cost to protect their
16 families, employees, and neighbors from earthquakes; and

17 WHEREAS, Incorporating earthquake warning technology into emergency planning
18 efforts can help mitigate risk of injury and death by providing a few moments warning to take
19 protective actions; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, April shall be recognized annually as Earthquake Preparedness Month,
21 and San Francisco shall join communities across California to encourage its residents to learn
22 more about Earthquake Warning California, including downloading the MyShake App, using
23 earthquake warning technology, and sharing earthquake warning resources with friends,
24 family, and colleagues, to help build a resilient community and strengthen the State of
25 California in its earthquake preparedness efforts.