Since 1943, the President of the United States has proclaimed March as Red Cross Month, which is a month-long observance recognizing the humanitarian and volunteer spirit of the Red Cross, and calling upon Americans to make a donation, volunteer, take a class, or give blood.

The Red Cross responds to house, apartment and wild fires, earthquakes, floods and major disasters, provides shelter, food and clothing for the victims of these disasters. Volunteers make it possible for the American Red Cross to provide assistance to disaster victims, to respond to emergency needs of Armed Forces personnel and their families, and to collect and provide blood to the ill and injured.

The Red Cross educates communities about the services provided locally and throughout the world, and encourages individuals, families and businesses to prepare themselves for disasters by getting an emergency kit, making a plan, and being informed through preparedness education classes.

I, THEREFORE MOVE that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles hereby proclaims March 2015 as "Red Cross Month" throughout Los Angeles County, and encourages all citizens to show their support to the American Red Cross by volunteering their time, making a donation, taking a class, or giving blood.

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