

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR CLATSOP COUNTY, OREGON**

**IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING)
JANUARY 26, 2024 TO BE) RESOLUTION AND ORDER
CASCADIA EARTHQUAKE)
AWARENESS DAY) 1844**

WHEREAS, January 26th marks the 324th anniversary of the last Cascadia Subduction Zone Earthquake to impact our region; and

WHEREAS, geologists have determined that major earthquake magnitudes of 8 or 9 have occurred many times in the past and could occur at any moment in the Pacific Northwest; and

WHEREAS, given the current lack of preparedness in the region, such a quake could create the worst natural disaster in North American history; and

WHEREAS, government agencies and disaster organizations cannot bear the sole responsibility to prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters; and

WHEREAS, as a community, we recognize this earthquake threat and commit to increase our earthquake resilience; and

WHEREAS, Clatsop County is also vulnerable to tsunami and residents should prepare to be self-sufficient for at least two weeks following a natural disaster of this magnitude; and

WHEREAS, greater recognition of the earthquake threat is key to motivating action by such individuals and groups.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Clatsop County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim January 26, 2024 as

“CASCADIA EARTHQUAKE AWARENESS DAY”

in Clatsop County and invites all community members to join in this effort to encourage everyone to be prepared for the Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake.

DATED this 24th day of January, 2024.

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Board Chair