



- WHEREAS, Gaston County believes Red Cross Month is a special time to recognize and thank our Everyday Heroes – those who reach out to help their neighbors when they are in need; and,
- WHEREAS, American Red Cross heroes are on the front lines every day. They volunteer their time, give blood, take life-saving courses or provide financial donations to help those in need; and,
- WHEREAS, we would like to remember our heroes here in Gaston County who give to help people in need. They work tirelessly to help in time of disaster, when someone needs life-saving blood, or the comfort of a helping hand. They provide round-the-clock support to those in need; and,
- WHEREAS, across the country and around the world, the American Red Cross responds to hurricanes, tornadoes, floods and wildfires. Gaston residents continue to strive for the betterment of its people and to provide a direction for the future by creating and opening doors of opportunity; and,
- WHEREAS, during these difficult times, we call upon all of you to help create a better community, we dedicate the month of March to all those who support the American Red Cross mission to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Gaston County Board of Commissioners that the month of March 2024 be recognized as

AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH

in Gaston County, and hereby urge all residents to take note of this observance and encourage all Americans to support this organization and its noble humanitarian mission.

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To be Adopted the 26th Day of March 2024