## **RESOLUTION #408**

A PROCLAMATION TO DESIGNATE THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2006 AS "NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH" IN YACOLT, WASHINGTON.

WHEREAS: The commitment of the Town of Yacolt is to ensure a safe and secure community for our citizens; and,

WHEREAS: The Town of Yacolt is known to be vulnerable to natural and technological disasters; and,

WHEREAS: The Town of Yacolt is actively working in partnership with other agencies in our community to effectively prepare for a serious emergency such as an earthquake, weather disaster or terrorist incident; and

WHEREAS: The citizens of the Town of Yacolt, through taking personal preparedness measures, can significantly reduce the impact of such an emergency upon themselves and reduce the demands on emergency responders so that they can render aid where it is most needed; and

WHEREAS: Neighbors reaching out to one another to prepare and respond to a disaster together, such as is practiced within the Citizen Emergency Response Team program, is one of the best ways to ensure our own survival and increase the cohesiveness of our community after a disaster strikes; and

WHEREAS: Each person who lives in our community is tasked with developing a household emergency kit that contains essentials such as food and water, first aid and sanitation supplies, developing an emergency plan, and educating themselves about preparedness through the many countywide events or agencies announced at <a href="http://www.preparetogether.org">http://www.preparetogether.org</a>.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Yacolt, Washington, that I, Joe Warren, Mayor of the Town of Yacolt, Washington do hereby proclaim the month of September, 2006 as:

## "NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH"

in Yacolt, Washington and I encourage each person to take proactive steps to prepare for a community emergency through individual efforts at self-sufficiency and by preparing to help others in our community.

APPROVED this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2006.

JOE WARREN, Mayor

Attest:

BRENDA FINNEGAN, Clerk/Treasurer

Ayes Madler, Holyk, Marbut, Weldon

Nays None

Absent Stewart