

Proclamation

by

Paul E. Patton
Governor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

WHEREAS, Several active geologic areas capable of producing damaging earthquakes are situated in or near Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, Geologic and seismic experts believe future earthquakes are a virtual certainty, particularly in the area known as the New Madrid Seismic Zone; and

WHEREAS, Emergency preparedness measures taken before, during and after damaging earthquakes can reduce loss of life and property as well as calm the fears and confusion of citizens of the Commonwealth affected by these events; and

WHEREAS, The Kentucky Division of Emergency Management (KyEM) is charged with the responsibility of preparing Kentucky for all forms of natural disasters, including earthquakes; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate for KyEM to cooperate with other government agencies, the Governor's Council on Earthquake Risk Reduction, the Central United States Earthquake Consortium, local emergency management officials and private corporations to prepare the citizens of the Commonwealth for earthquakes;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PAUL E. PATTON, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim October 2000 as

EARTHQUAKE PREPAREDNESS MONTH

in Kentucky and urge all public and private institutions, and citizens throughout the Commonwealth to take notice of this observance and take necessary actions to prepare and protect Kentucky from the threats of major earthquakes.



DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort, this
the 24th day of August, in the year of Our Lord Two
Thousand and in the 209TH year of the Commonwealth.

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GOVERNOR

John Y. Brown III

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Secretary of State