

Proclamation

by

Ernie Fletcher
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 the Commonwealth, producing at least one event felt by many Kentuckians in the past year; and

WHEREAS, Geologic and seismic experts believe future earthquakes are inevitable, particularly in the area known as the New Madrid Seismic Zone; 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, KyEM coordinates with other state and federal government agencies, the Governor's Council for Earthquake Risk Reduction, the Central United States Earthquake Consortium, members of the Kentucky Voluntary Agencies Active in Disaster, local emergency officials and private corporations to prepare the citizens of the Commonwealth for earthquakes;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ERNIE FLETCHER, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim October 2004 as

EARTHQUAKE PREPAREDNESS MONTH

in Kentucky and urge all public and private institutions, as well as people throughout the Commonwealth, to take notice of this observance and take necessary actions to prepare and protect our people and property which could be threatened as a result of a major earthquake.

DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort, this 22nd day of September, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Four and in the 213th year of the Commonwealth.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ernie Fletcher".

ERNIE FLETCHER
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Trey Grayson".

Trey Grayson
Secretary of State

