PROCLAMATION

A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRISBANE RECOGNIZING APRIL 2008 AS EARTHQUAKE PREPAREDNESS MONTH

WHEREAS *the State of California has experienced devastating seismic activity that has caused loss of life and property, as evidenced by the 6.5 magnitude earthquake in San Simeon on December 22, 2003, the 6.7 magnitude Northridge earthquake in Los Angeles County on January 17, 1994 and the 7.1 magnitude Loma Prieta earthquake in the San Francisco Bay Area on October 17, 1989; and*

WHEREAS *the loss of life and property can be greatly reduced if appropriate earthquake preparedness measures are taken before, during and after a damaging quake; and*

WHEREAS *these lifesaving procedures will be highlighted during the month of April as the North County Fire Authority, San Mateo County Office of Emergency Services, City Office of Emergency Services, and other service organizations provide earthquake safety information to Brisbane residents; and*

WHEREAS *it is highly recommended that our citizens become aware of the life saving skills necessary to survive an earthquake through obtaining printed and web-based materials provided by the North County Fire Authority and Offices of Emergency Services; and*

WHEREAS *this important earthquake safety information should be studied and observed throughout the year in order to reduce injuries, loss of life, and property damage during an earthquake,*

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED*, that the City Council of the City of Brisbane does hereby proclaim April 2008, "California Earthquake Preparedness Month," and encourages all Brisbane residents to increase their knowledge and awareness of proper safety measures to follow before, during, and after an earthquake.*

Dated this 7th day of April, 2008.

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Michael G. Barnes
Mayor of the City of Brisbane