

**RESOLUTION**

**Proclaiming the week of March 23-29, 2008 as Spring Severe Weather Safety Awareness Week in Cuyahoga County and urging participation in preparedness and safety activities.**

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**WHEREAS, Cuyahoga County is located in an area of the State of Ohio described as Tornado Alley, wherein the potential hazards of loss of life and injury to persons and property from tornadoes are high. Cuyahoga County is also located in an area of the State of Ohio where there is the potential for the loss of life and injury due to the perils of floods.**

**AND, WHEREAS, community awareness and planning for such threats as tornadoes and/or flooding can result in saving of lives and prevention of injury, particularly among special populations such as schools, daycare centers, nursing homes and health care facilities.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Cuyahoga County, Ohio hereby joins Governor Ted Strickland in proclaiming March 23-29, 2008, as Spring Severe Weather Safety Awareness Week in Cuyahoga County.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners urges all cities, villages, townships and school systems to recognize and participate in any tornado and flood safety activities in their jurisdictions.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners urges all citizens of the County to be aware of and participate in Spring Severe Weather Safety Awareness Week activities and to become informed about tornado and flood safety.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Statewide Tornado Safety Exercise will be conducted on Wednesday, March 26, 2008, at 9:50 a.m. and that such exercise specifically be designed for local municipal participation and for testing of the Emergency Alert System and other appropriate components of emergency management.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board be, and she is, hereby instructed to transmit a copy of this resolution to Gary Holland, Director, Department of Justice Affairs and Murray Withrow, Administrator, Department of Justice Affairs/Emergency Services Division.**

**On Motion of Commissioner Dimora, seconded by Commissioner Hagan, the foregoing resolution was duly adopted.**

**Ayes: Dimora, Hagan, Jones.**

**Nays: None.**

**Resolution Adopted.**

**Jeanne M. Schmotzer,  
Clerk of the Board**

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