Resolution No. 5-0309

RED CROSS
FLOOD AWARENESS WEEK
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Iowa County, Wisconsin is vulnerable to major flooding, which can cause loss of life and considerable damage to public and private property; and

WHEREAS, Iowa County sought individual and public assistance, in result of the June 2008 floods; and

WHEREAS, the American Red Cross assisted Iowa County residents in over 40 flood assistance cases; and

WHEREAS, experience tells us by preparing ahead of time, individuals can better respond to, recover from, and lessen physical, emotional and financial impact of a flood or other disaster; and

WHEREAS, the American Red Cross wants everyone to have the confidence and peace of mind that comes with being prepared and to "Be Red Cross Ready"; and

WHEREAS, it is easy for anyone to prepare for a flood and other emergencies by taking three simple actions plans: 1) Get a kit. 2) Make a plan. 3) Be informed; and

WHEREAS, the American Red Cross wants to reduce risk and help make our communities more damage resistant by providing information to residents about actions they can take to prepare for floods; and

WHEREAS, Iowa County and the American Red Cross encourages all residents in flood-prone areas to join us in preparing and developing flood preparedness plan for themselves and their families.

WHEREAS, during Red Cross Month, the American Red Cross want to raise public awareness about flood preparedness and safety tips during Flood Awareness Week, March 16th-20th;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the County Board Supervisors, of Iowa County Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim the week of March 16th-20th, 2009 as Flood Awareness Week, and along with the American Red Cross-Badger Chapter encourage residents in flood prone areas to take necessary steps to be prepared for a flood event.

Dated this 3rd day of March 2009.

Respectfully submitted by the Iowa County Justice Committee: