2009 Resolution

Family Preparedness in the Event of a Disaster or Public Health Emergency

Affiliate Capacity Building Initiative (ACBI) Grant

WHEREAS, in the United States and globally disasters or public health emergencies disrupt hundreds of thousands of lives every year;

WHEREAS, each disaster or public health emergency can leave devastating effects on both people and property;

WHEREAS, local emergency responders may not be able to reach those in need immediately, or they may need to focus their efforts elsewhere;

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) recommends citizens should be self-sufficient for at least three days for shelter, first aid, food, water, and sanitation; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Wisconsin Public Health Association (WPHA) support the American Public Health Association’s Get Ready Campaign in urging all member organizations, their employees, as well as individual members be prepared to respond to severe weather or any disaster or public health emergency naturally occurring or man-made.

RESOLVED, that citizens of Wisconsin be encouraged to implement an emergency preparedness plan to address all hazards that will help keep their family healthy and safe.

RESOLVED, that the Wisconsin Public Health Association support efforts to inform Wisconsin citizens about hazards and emergencies that may affect their families and prepare them for any future disaster or public health emergency.