

**In Recognition of
City of Fort Lauderdale
as a StormReady Community
January 2015**

- WHEREAS,** each new year brings the potential for severe weather to the city of Fort Lauderdale; and
- WHEREAS,** our city of 38.3 square miles embraced by the Atlantic Ocean, the New River, and a myriad of scenic inland waterways, is vulnerable to the devastating effects of hurricanes, tropical storms, flooding, tornadoes, and other severe emergencies; and
- WHEREAS,** the National Weather Service designed the StormReady program to help communities implement procedures to reduce the potential for disastrous weather-related consequences through advanced planning, education, and awareness; and
- WHEREAS,** being a StormReady community improves communication, severe weather preparedness, and strengthens response plans; and
- WHEREAS,** the city of Fort Lauderdale has met the National Weather Service requirements to be recognized as a StormReady Community; and
- WHEREAS,** the city of Fort Lauderdale's residents will be better prepared knowing they have the best possible chance of being warned before a weather disaster strikes.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, as City Commissioners of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, do hereby proclaim The City of Fort Lauderdale as a:

StormReady Community

in the City of Fort Lauderdale and do urge Fort Lauderdale residents to take part in activities to prepare and protect their families and property from severe weather occurrences.

DATED this, the 21st day of January 2015.

Mayor John P. "Jack" Seiler

