MEDIA ADVISORY

Mayor London Breed Declares Saturday October 17, 2020 NERT Day

Honoring NERT's 30th Anniversary

WHAT:

In recognition of the 30th anniversary of the San Francisco Fire Department's Neighborhood Emergency Response Team program, Mayor London Breed has declared Saturday October 17, 2020 as NERT Day.

To commemorate this milestone, San Francisco's City Hall will be illuminated in green that evening.

WHEN:

Date: Saturday, October 17, 2020

WHERE:

San Francisco City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlet Place

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About NERT

The San Francisco Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT) is a disaster preparedness organization sponsored by the San Francisco Fire Department (SFFD). The program offers free, basic and advanced preparedness training to those who live and work in San Francisco. Our program provides general personal preparedness education throughout the year and includes sessions taught in Spanish and Cantonese.

The goal of the NERT program is to provide an organizing framework for neighborhood teams in the city. Teams gather after a disaster to survey their neighborhoods, provide information to the SFFD, conduct light search and rescue, medical triage, and help transport victims to medical treatment facilities. Following the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake, San Francisco residents organized with the Fire Department to improve a citywide disaster response.

In NERT's 30-year history, approximately 30,762 civilians have been trained valuable skills to assist the San Francisco Fire Department after a major disaster by taking care of themselves, their families, and their neighbors. NERT has held annual Citywide drills since 1992.

More information on upcoming training can be found on the NERT website, www.sfgov.org/sfnert, or by calling 415-970-2022. Video about the NERT program: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aRxWEx7-J3I&feature=youtu.be

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