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WHEREAS, in an emergency, breastfeeding is life-saving protection;

*WHEREAS*, breastfeeding is sanitary and safe, requires no electricity or water, and helps calm the baby and mother who may be experiencing trauma during an emergency;

WHEREAS, breastfeeding babies and mothers need support before an emergency occurs in order to continue this life-saving protection under the stressful conditions an emergency brings;

*WHEREAS*, a plan to support and protect breastfeeding is an essential part of a community's emergency preparedness; and

**WHEREAS,** World Breastfeeding Week is a special time set aside to remind us of the importance of breastfeeding throughout the world with the theme for 2009, "Breastfeeding: A Vital Emergency Response – Are You Ready?";

*NOW*, *THEREFORE*, *I*, Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim the month of August, 2009 as

## **BREASTFEEDING MONTH**

in Greenville.

This 16th day of July, 2009.

Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor