

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE

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The earthquake that devastated Japan's northeastern coast measured 8.9 on the Richter scale and is the worst the country has experienced in nearly 100 years. Thousands have been killed, injured or displaced from their homes and many are desperate for the most basic necessities.

On behalf of the Board of Supervisors, I would like to extend our deepest sympathies to the people of Japan for their profound loss and suffering from the enormous destruction that has occurred as a result of this devastating earthquake and tsunami.

County residents and employees who wish to make a monetary contribution to victims of this earthquake and Tsunami are encouraged to do so through the American Red Cross Japan Earthquake and Pacific Tsunami Fund, which will provide both immediate relief and long-term support through supplies, technical assistance and other support to those in need.

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Financial contributions can be made directly to their website at [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org), via telephone at 1-800- RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767), or by mail to American Red Cross National Headquarters, 2025 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20006.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors encourage County residents and employees to consider making, on a strictly voluntary basis, a financial contribution to the American Red Cross to aid the earthquake and tsunami victims in Japan and throughout the Pacific.

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