## PROCLAMATION

## Fire Prevention Week October 8-14, 2017

*WHEREAS*, the city of Carson City, Nevada is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting Carson City; and

*WHEREAS*, newer homes are built with lightweight materials that burn faster than older home constructions; and

*WHEREAS*, many of today's products and furnishings produce toxic gases and smoke when burned, making it impossible to see and breathe within moments; and

*WHEREAS*, these conditions contribute to a much smaller window of time for people to escape a home fire safely, with people having as little as one to two minutes to escape from the time the smoke alarm sounds; and

*WHEREAS*, a home fire escape plan includes two exits from every room in the home; a path to the outside from each exit; smoke alarms in all required locations; and a meeting place outside where everyone in the home will meet upon exiting; and

WHEREAS, home fire escape plans should be developed by all members of the household; and

*WHEREAS*, Carson City's first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and protection education; and

*WHEREAS*, Carson City's residents are responsive to public education measures and are able to take personal steps to increase their safety from fire, especially in their homes; and

*WHEREAS*, the 2017 Fire Prevention Week theme, "Every Second Counts: Plan 2 Ways Out!" effectively serves to educate the public about the vital importance of developing a home fire escape plan with all members of the household and practicing it twice a year;

**THEREFORE,** I, Robert L. Crowell, Mayor of Carson City, Nevada on behalf of the Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim October 8-14, 2017, as Fire Prevention Week throughout this community. I urge all the people of Carson City to develop a home fire escape plan with all members of the household and practice it twice a year, and to participate in the many public safety activities and efforts of Carson City's fire and emergency services during Fire Prevention Week 2017.



Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October 2017.

Robert L. Crowell, Mayor