

PROCLAMATION

Fire Prevention Week

October 7-13, 2018

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, fire is a serious public safety concern both locally and nationally, and homes are the locations where people are at greatest risk from fire; and

WHEREAS, home fires killed 2,735 people in the United States in 2016, according to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), and fire departments in the United States responded to 352,000 home fires; and

WHEREAS, the majority of U.S. fire deaths (4 out of 5) occur at home each year; and

WHEREAS, the fire death rate per 1,000 home fires reported to U.S. fire departments was 10 percent higher in 2016 than in 1980; and

WHEREAS, working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in reported home fires in half; and

WHEREAS, Carson City's residents who have planned and practiced a home fire escape plan are more prepared and will therefore be more likely to survive a fire; 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, the 2018 Fire Prevention Week theme, "**Look. Listen. Learn. Be aware – fire can happen anywhere™**" effectively serves to remind us that we need to take personal steps to increase our safety from fire;

THEREFORE, I, Robert L. Crowell, Mayor of Carson City, Nevada on behalf of the Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim October 7-13, 2018, as Fire Prevention Week throughout this community. I urge all the people of Carson City to be aware of their surroundings, look for available ways out in the event of a fire or other emergency, respond when the smoke alarm sounds by exiting the building immediately, and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of Carson City's fire and emergency services during Fire Prevention Week 2018.



Dated this 4th day of October 2018.

Robert L. Crowell, Mayor