



City of McKinney

Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** the City of McKinney, Texas is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting our community; and
- WHEREAS,** fire is a serious public safety concern both locally and nationally, and
- WHEREAS,** in 2014, there were 1,298,000 fires reported in the United States. These fires caused 3,275 civilian deaths, 15,775 civilian injuries, and \$11.6 billion in property damage; and
- WHEREAS,** Fire Prevention Week was established to commemorate the Great Chicago Fire, the tragic 1871 conflagration that killed more than 250 people, left 100,000 homeless, destroyed more than 17,400 structures and burned more than 2,000 acres; and
- WHEREAS,** during Fire Prevention Week, we pledge to take precautionary steps to stop fires before they start, and honor the sacrifices made by our Nation's courageous first responders who risk their lives to beat back these threats; and
- WHEREAS,** McKinney's first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires, home fire injuries and home fire deaths through prevention and protection education; and
- WHEREAS,** three out of five home fire deaths result from fires in properties without working smoke alarms; and
- WHEREAS,** McKinney's residents should install smoke alarms in every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of the home; and
- WHEREAS,** McKinney'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,** the 2016 Fire Prevention Week theme, "Don't Wait – Check the Date! Reminding everyone to replace smoke alarms every 10 years.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN LOUGHMILLER, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 9-15, 2016 AS

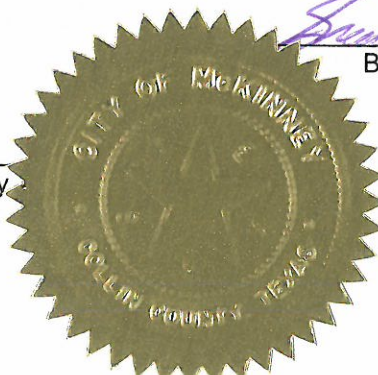
Fire Prevention Week

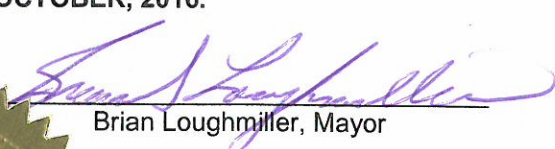
And urge all the people of McKinney to heed the important safety messages of Fire Prevention Week 2016 and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of McKinney Fire Department.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS THE 4TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2016.

ATTEST:


Sandy Hart, City Secretary




Brian Loughmiller, Mayor