



WHEREAS, the City of McKinney, Texas, is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all who live in and visit our community; and

WHEREAS, hazardous conditions leave families with little time to escape after a fire alarm sounds. In 2024, 121 Home Fire Fatalities were reported in Texas according to FEMA; and

WHEREAS, modern homes are often constructed with lightweight materials that burn faster than older home constructions, and many of today's furnishings and household items produce toxic gases and smoke when burned, making it nearly impossible to see and breathe within moments; and

WHEREAS, residents are encouraged to take proactive measures to protect themselves and their families. Developing and practicing a home fire escape plan twice a year ensures that every member of the household knows how to act quickly and safely in the event of a real fire; and

WHEREAS, McKinney's first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention, preparedness, and public education, and they support the 2025 Fire Prevention Week theme, "*Charge into Fire Safety*," which reminds everyone to buy, charge, and recycle lithium-ion batteries safely to reduce fire risks.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BILL COX, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM OCTOBER 5–11, 2025 AS

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

IN MCKINNEY, TEXAS, URGING ALL RESIDENTS TO HEED THE LIFE-SAVING MESSAGES OF FIRE PREVENTION WEEK 2025, AND TO SUPPORT THE PUBLIC SAFETY EFFORTS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE MCKINNEY FIRE DEPARTMENT.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS 16TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2025.

BILL COX, Mayor

ATTEST:

EMPRESS DRANE, City Secretary