



TOWN OF QUEEN CREEK | OFFICE OF THE MAYOR PROCLAMATION



WHEREAS, the Town of Queen Creek is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting the Town; 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 cooking fires killed 170 people in the United States and caused 3,300 injuries between 2016 to 2018, according to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), and fire departments in the United States responded to 189,300 home cooking 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 1000 home fires reported to U.S. fire departments was 10 percent higher in 2016 than in 1980; and

WHEREAS, Queen Creek residents should identify places in their home where fires can start and eliminate those hazards; and

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

WHEREAS, Queen Creek residents should install smoke alarms in every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of the home; and

WHEREAS, Queen Creek residents should listen for the sound of the smoke alarm and when it sounds respond by going outside immediately to the designated meeting place; and

WHEREAS, Queen Creek 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, Queen Creek first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and protection education; and

WHEREAS, Queen Creek residents are responsive to public education measures and are able to take action to increase their safety from fire, especially in their homes; and

WHEREAS, the 2020 Fire Prevention Week theme, "Serve Up Fire Safety in the Kitchen!™" effectively serves to remind us that we need to take personal steps to increase our safety from fire in our homes.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Gail Barney, Mayor of the Town of Queen Creek, proclaim October 4 through October 10, 2020 as

Fire Prevention Week

WITNESS MY HAND this 7th day of October 2020.




Gail Barney, Mayor


Maria Gonzalez, Town Clerk