



# 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 fires killed more than 2,800 people in the United States in 2021, according to the National Fire Protection Association, and fire departments in the United States responded to 338,000 home fires; and

**WHEREAS**, smoke alarms sense smoke well before you can, alerting you to danger in the event of fire in which you may have as few as two minutes to escape safely and working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in reported home fires in half; and

**WHEREAS**, Queen Creek residents should be sure everyone in the home understands the sounds of the smoke alarms and knows how to respond; 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**, residents will make sure their smoke and carbon monoxide (CO) alarms meet the needs of all their family members, including those with sensory or physical disabilities; 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

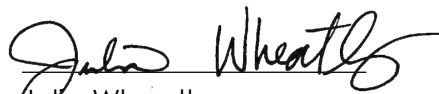
**WHEREAS**, Queen Creek residents that are responsive to public education measures are better able to take personal steps to increase their safety from fire, especially in their homes.

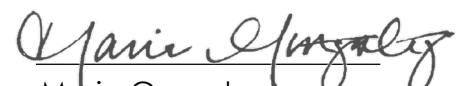
**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Julia Wheatley, Mayor of the Town of Queen Creek, do hereby proclaim October 8 – 14, 2023 as

## Fire Prevention Week

And urge all the people of Queen Creek to practice a home fire escape, check their kitchens for fire hazards, and support the many public safety activities and efforts of Queen Creek Fire and Medical Department.

**WITNESS MY HAND** this 4<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2023.

  
Julia Wheatley,  
Mayor

  
Maria Gonzalez,  
Town Clerk

