



Proclamation

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK OCTOBER 3rd – 9th

WHEREAS, Jackson County is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting our county; 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 2,770 people in the United States in 2019, according to the National Fire Protection Association® (NFPA®), and fire departments in the United States responded to 339,500 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 little as 2 minutes to escape safely; and

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

WHEREAS, Jackson County residents should be sure everyone in the home understands the sounds of the alarms and knows how to respond; and

WHEREAS, Jackson County 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, Jackson County residents should ensure their smoke and CO alarms meet the needs of all their family members; and

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

WHEREAS, Jackson County residents are responsive to public education measures and are better able to take personal steps to increase their safety from fire, especially in their homes; and

WHEREAS, the 2021 Fire Prevention Week™ theme, “Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety™;” effectively serves to remind us it is important to learn the different sounds of smoke and carbon monoxide alarms.

THEREFORE, the Jackson County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim October 3rd – 9th, 2021, as Fire Prevention Week throughout this county, and we urge all the people of Jackson County to “Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety” for Fire Prevention Week 2021 and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of Jackson County’s fire and emergency services.

ADOPTED the 21st day of September, 2021.

Attest:

By:

Angela M. Winchester, Clerk to Board

Brian Thomas McMahan, Chairman