

RESOLUTION 2017 - 15

**PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 8-14, 2017
AS NATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION WEEK**

WHEREAS, the City of Mason, Ohio is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting Mason; 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 2,685 people in the United States in 2015, according to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), and fire departments in the United States responded to 501,000 home fires; and

WHEREAS, this year's Fire Prevention Theme is "Seconds Count, Plan 2 Ways Out"; and

WHEREAS, it is important for Mason residents to have a home fire escape plan; and

WHEREAS, Mason residents should draw a map of their home with all the members of their household, marking two exits from each room and a path to the outside from each exit; and

WHEREAS, Mason residents should practice their escape plan twice a year, conducting one at night and one during the day with everyone in their home, and practice using different ways out; and

WHEREAS, Mason residents should teach their children how to escape on their own in case you can't help them; and

WHEREAS, once you get outside, stay outside. Never go back inside a burning building! ; and

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

WHEREAS, Mason's residents are responsive to public education measures and are able to take personal steps to increase their safety from fire, especially in their homes; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mason, Ohio, seven members elected thereto concurring:

Section 1 That the Council of the City of Mason hereby designates and proclaims the week of October 8-14, 2017 as National Fire Prevention Week.

Section 2 That this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed this 11th day of September, 2017.

Attest:

Mayor

Clerk of Council