

PROCLAMATION Recognizing the Week of October 9-15, 2022 as "Fire Prevention Week"

WHEREAS, the Town of Marana 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 people are generally at greatest risk from fire in their own homes; and

WHEREAS, home fires caused 2,580 civilian deaths in the United States in 2020, according to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), and fire departments in the United States responded to 356,500 home fires; and

WHEREAS, residents that have planned and practiced a home fire escape plan are more prepared and will therefore be more likely to survive a fire; and

WHEREAS, smoke alarms sense smoke well before a person can, warning of danger in the event of a fire in which a person may have as little as two minutes to escape safely. Working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in reported home fires in half, and residents should ensure everyone in the home recognizes smoke alarm sounds and knows how to respond. Residents should also ensure smoke and carbon monoxide alarms meet the needs of family members, including those with sensory or physical disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Northwest Fire District is dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and protection education; and

WHEREAS, 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; and

WHEREAS, the 2022 Fire Prevention Week theme, "Fire won't wait. Plan your escape." serves to remind residents that it is important to have a home fire escape plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, Mayor Honea and the Marana Town Council do hereby proclaim the week of October 9–15, 2022 as "Fire Prevention Week" in the Town of Marana, and urge its citizens to plan and practice a home fire escape and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of the Northwest Fire District.

Dated this 4th day of October, 2022.

ATTEST:

David L. Udall, Town Clerk

Ed Honea

Ed Honea, Mayor