

Mayor Christian Price

Whereas, the City of Maricopa is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living and visiting Maricopa; 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, two of every five home fires start in the kitchen with 31% of these fires resulting in unattended cooking; and,

Whereas, more than half of the reported non-fatal home cooking fire injuries occurred when the victims tried to fight the fire themselves; and,

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

Whereas, National Fire Prevention Week is observed each year during the week of October 9th in commemoration of the Great Chicago Fire of 1871 which killed more than 250 people, left 100,000 homeless and destroyed over 17,000 structures; and

Whereas, during this week we recognize the impact that public education and community outreach can have in preventing fires; and

Whereas, the members of the Maricopa Fire/Medical Department provide this lifesaving public education in an effort to reduce the catastrophic effects that fire has on our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Christian Price, Mayor of the City of Maricopa, do hereby proclaim October 4-10, 2020 as “MARICOPA FIRE PREVENTION WEEK” in the City of Maricopa.

Dated this 6th day of October, 2020

Christian Price, Mayor