

Mayor Christian Price

Whereas, the City of Maricopa, Arizona is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all who live, work, or visit here; 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, according to the National Fire Protection Association® (NFPA®), there were more than 330,000 home fires in the United States in 2019, resulting in over 2,700 deaths; and

Whereas, smoke alarms sense smoke well before people 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, Maricopa residents should be sure everyone in the home understands the sounds of the alarms and knows how to respond; and

Whereas, all 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, Maricopa Fire/Medical first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and protection education; and

Whereas, Maricopa residents 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 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.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Christian Price, Mayor of the City of Maricopa, do hereby proclaim October 3–9, 2021, as **FIRE PREVENTION WEEK**, and I urge everyone in the City of Maricopa to “Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety” for Fire Prevention Week 2021 and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of our fire and emergency services.

Dated this 5th day of October, 2021

Christian Price, Mayor