

## COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

## RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 8-14, 2023, AS FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

Whereas, fires pose a significant risk to the safety and well-being of our communities, causing loss of life, property damage, and environmental harm; and

Whereas, Fire Prevention Week, observed annually during the week of October 9th, marks the anniversary of the Great Chicago Fire and serves as a reminder of the importance of fire safety and prevention; and

Whereas, Fire Prevention Week provides an opportunity to educate our citizens, particularly our youth, about fire safety practices, emergency preparedness, and the importance of smoke alarms and fire escape plans; and

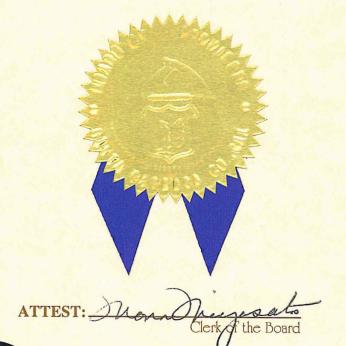
Whereas, the theme for Fire Prevention Week 2023, "Prevent Kitchen Fires: Cook with Caution," emphasizes the importance of safe cooking practices in reducing the risk of kitchen fires, which are a leading cause of home fires and related deaths; and

Whereas, by officially recognizing October 8-14, 2023, as Fire Prevention Week, we reaffirm our commitment to fire safety, emergency preparedness, and the protection of our communities; and

Whereas, by officially recognizing the theme of "Prevent Kitchen Fires: Cook with Caution," we encourage the use and maintenance of smoke detectors, the use of timers and the constant monitoring of foods with long cooking times, kid and combustible free cooking zones and other safe cooking practices.

Now, therefore, be it ordered and resolved, that this Board of Supervisors declares the week of October 8-14, 2023, as Fire Prevention Week in our community and urges all residents to participate in fire safety activities, learn about fire prevention, and take steps to ensure the safety of their homes and families.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this October 10, 2023, by a unanimous vote of all members present.



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