



Renton Regional Fire Authority 2024 PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Renton Regional Fire Authority is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in, working in, and visiting our response area; 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 more than 2,700 people in the United States in 2022, according to the National Fire Protection Association, and fire departments in the United States responded to 360,000 home fires; and

WHEREAS, roughly three out of five fire deaths happen in homes with either no smoke alarms or with no working smoke alarms; and

WHEREAS working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in reported home fires almost in half; and

WHEREAS, smoke alarms sense smoke well before you 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, residents should install smoke alarms in every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of the home; and

WHEREAS, residents will make sure their smoke alarms meet the needs of all their family members, including those with sensory or physical disabilities; and

WHEREAS, residents should test smoke alarms at least once a month.

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

WHEREAS, 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

WHEREAS, the 2024 Fire Prevention Week theme, "Smoke alarms: Make them work for you." serves to remind us of the importance of having working smoke alarms in the home.

THEREFORE the Renton Regional Fire Authority Governance Board does hereby proclaim the week of **October 6-12, 2024**, to be:

Fire Prevention Week

In witness whereof, we have caused the seal of the Renton Regional Fire Authority to be affixed this September 9, 2024.


Kerry Abercrombie (Sep 10, 2024 09:31 PDT)

Kerry Abercrombie, Board Chair


Sean Cook (Sep 11, 2024 11:53 PDT)


Sean Cook, Board Member


Marcus Morrell (Sep 10, 2024 09:37 PDT)

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Andrew Schneider (Sep 10, 2024 11:42 PDT)

Andrew Schneider, Advisory Position


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Valerie O'Halloran, Board Member

