

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the city of Coppell, Texas is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting Coppell; 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, the majority of U.S. fire deaths (4 out of 5) occur at home each year; and

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

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

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

WHEREAS, the 2018 Fire Prevention Week theme, "Look. Listen. Learn. Be aware – fire can happen anywhere" effectively serves to remind us that we need to take personal steps to increase our safety from fire.

NOW THEREFORE, I Karen Selbo Hunt, Mayor of Coppell do hereby proclaim October 7-13, 2018, as Fire Prevention Week throughout this city, and I urge all the people of Coppell to be aware of their surroundings, look for available ways out in the event of a fire or other emergency, respond when the smoke alarm sounds by exiting the building immediately, and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of Coppell fire and emergency services during Fire Prevention Week 2018.

IN WITNESS, THEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Coppell to be affixed this 9th day of October 2018.

| ATTEST: | Karen Selbo Hunt, Mayor |
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| Christel Pettinos, City Secretary | |