

## CITY OF SEBASTOPOL PROCLAMATION

## A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEBASTOPOL PROCLAIMING OCTOBER 9-15, 2022 AS

## **Fire Prevention Week**

WHEREAS the City of Sebastopol is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living and visiting our City; and

WHEREAS fire is a serious public safety concern, both locally and nationally, and homes are where people are at the greatest risk to fire; and

WHEREAS roughly two-thirds of home fire deaths resulted from fires in which no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms were present; and

WHEREAS working smoke alarms cut the chance of dying in a reported fire in half; 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 informing the public about the importance of smoke alarm installation and maintenance serves an essential step toward increasing the public's safety from home fires; and

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

WHEREAS, City residents who are responsive to public education measures are better able to take personal steps to increase their safety from fire, especially in their homes; and

WHEREAS this year is the 100th Anniversary of Fire Prevention Week and the 2022 Fire Prevention theme for this period is "Fire Won't Wait. Plan Your Escape."

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Patrick Slayter, Mayor, do hereby proclaim October 9-15, 2022 as Fire Prevention Week throughout the City of Sebastopol and urge all residents to "Not Wait and Plan Your Escape".

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and the Great Seal of the City of Sebastopol this  $4^{th}$  day of October 2022.

Patrick Slayter, Mayor, City of Sebastopol

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