

WHEREAS, Congress and the President of the United States have designated the second weekend of October as National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Day, and the National Fire Protection Association has designated the second full week of October as Fire Prevention Week; and

WHEREAS, homes are the locations where people are at the greatest risk of fire injury and death; and

WHEREAS, the Arkansas City Fire-EMS Department is dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires, home fire injuries, and carbon monoxide poisoning through education, prevention, and protection; and

WHEREAS, the City of Arkansas City's residents are responsive to public education measures and able to take personal steps to increase their safety from fires, especially in their homes and kitchens; and

WHEREAS, the 2022 Fire Prevention Week theme — "Fire won't wait. Plan your escape" — puts the focus on educating children and adults about smoke and carbon monoxide alarms, their necessity, and how the sounds they make help to save lives.

NOW, THEREFORE, The Mayor of the City of Arkansas City, Kansas, calls upon all citizens to observe the week of **October 9-15, 2022**, as

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

in Arkansas City, and urge all citizens to check their homes for fire hazards during Fire Prevention Week 2022, and to support the activities and efforts of the Arkansas City Fire-EMS Department.

I FURTHER call upon all citizens of Arkansas City to solemnly observe October 8-9, 2022, as

NATIONAL FALLEN FIREFIGHTERS MEMORIAL WEEKEND

in Arkansas City, on the 41st anniversary of this event, in honor of those firefighters who, through their courageous deeds, have lost their lives or become disabled in the performance of their duty.

In witness thereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed:

Name/Title: Kanyon Gingher, Mayor Date: September 20, 2022