



**FIRE
PREVENTION
WEEK™**



**PROCLAMATION
Fire Prevention Week
October 6-12 2024**

WHEREAS, Mead is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting our community; 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® (NFPA®), 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, Mead residents should install smoke alarms in every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of the home; and

WHEREAS, the 2024 Fire Prevention Week theme, “Smoke alarms: Make them work for you!” Striving to educate everyone about the importance of having working smoke alarms in the home.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Colleen Whitlow, Mayor of the Town of Mead do hereby proclaim October 6-12, 2024, as Fire Prevention Week, and I urge all the people of Mead to check their kitchens for fire hazards and use safe cooking practices during Fire Prevention Week 2024.

Given under my hand and Seal of the Town of Mead, Colorado, this 30th day of September 2024.

Colleen G. Whitlow
Mayor