



The Office of the Mayor
PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** the City of Meridian is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting our city; and,
- WHEREAS,** fire is a serious public safety concern both nationally and locally, and homes are the locations where people are at greatest risk from fire; and,
- WHEREAS,** Meridian's first responders are dedicated to reduce the occurrence of home fires and related injuries through prevention education; and,
- WHEREAS,** lithium-ion batteries are increasingly used in everyday devices and when damaged, improperly charged, or used with incompatible equipment, can fail and cause fires that spread rapidly and create significant hazards to residents, first responders, and property; and
- WHEREAS,** this year's theme "Charge Into Fire Safety™. Safe Charging Is a Superpower" reminds us about the importance of how to safely charge lithium-ion batteries with caution and care.
- THEREFORE,** I, Mayor Robert E. Simison, hereby proclaim October 4-10, 2026 as

Fire Prevention Week

in the City of Meridian and call upon the community to observe the important safety message of Fire Prevention Week and focus on the everyday charging habits that can help reduce the risk of lithium-ion battery fires and keep homes and communities safer.

Dated this 6th day of October, 2026

A blue ink signature of Robert E. Simison, written in a cursive style, positioned above a horizontal line.

Robert E. Simison, Mayor

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