

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the city is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting Snoqualmie; 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, 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, residents should install smoke alarms in every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of the home; and

WHEREAS, residents should make sure their smoke alarms meet the needs of all their family members, including those with sensory or physical disabilities and test their smoke alarms at least once a month; 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, Snoqualmie's first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and protection education.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Katherine Ross, Mayor of the City of Snoqualmie, do hereby proclaim the week of October 6th-12th as

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

and urge all residents of Snoqualmie to make sure their homes have working smoke alarms and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of Snoqualmie's fire and emergency services.

APPROVED, this 23rd day of September 2024.

Katherine Ross, Mayor Proclamation No. 24-19

