

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the City of Tumwater is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting our City. Fire is a serious public safety concern both locally and nationally. Homes are the locations where people are at greatest risk; 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, According to the NFPA®, smoke alarms reduce the risk of dying in a home fire by more than half (54 percent). Meanwhile, roughly three out of five fire deaths happen in homes with either no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.

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 two minutes to escape safely; and

WHEREAS, residents are responsive to public education measures and can take personal steps to increase their safety from fire, especially in their homes. residents should test smoke alarms at least once a month.

WHEREAS, first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and protection education; and

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

NOW THEREFORE, I, Debbie Sullivan, Mayor of the City of Tumwater, do hereby proclaim the week of

October 6, 2024- October 12, 2024

Fire Prevention Week

and I urge all residents and businesses in the City of Tumwater to heed these messages and to support the efforts of the Tumwater Fire Department and other emergency services to keep us safe from fires and in times of medical emergencies.

Signed in the City of Tumwater, Washington, and recognized on this 1st day of October in the year, two thousand twenty-four.



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Debbie Sullivan". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Debbie Sullivan

Mayor