

Office of the Mayor

Proclamation

PROCLAIMING FIRE PREVENTION WEEK AND FIREFIGHTERS MEMORIAL SERVICE DAY



Whereas:

Fire Prevention Week signifies a time for all of us to ensure the safety and security of our homes from fire; and

WHEREAS:

fire is a serious public safety concern both locally and nationally, and our homes are where we are at the greatest risk; and

WHEREAS:

in 2013 fire departments responded to 369,500 home fires that killed 2,755 people in the United States; and

WHEREAS:

working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in reported home fires in half; and

WHEREAS:

three out of five home fire deaths result from fires in houses without working smoke alarms and half of home fire deaths result from fires occurring between 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.; and

WHEREAS:

smoke alarms should be installed in every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area and on every level of the home; and

WHEREAS:

those who plan and practice a home fire escape plan are more prepared and will be more likely to survive a fire; and

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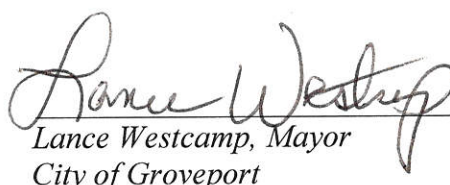
first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and injuries through prevention and protection education and residents are responsive to education measures and can take personal steps to increase their safety from fire.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lance Westcamp, Mayor of the City of Groveport, Ohio do hereby proclaim the week of October 4th – 10th, 2015 as **FIRE PREVENTION WEEK** and encourage all citizens to observe the 2015 Fire Prevention Week theme, “Hear the Beep Where You Sleep. Every Bedroom Needs a Working Smoke Alarm!” which effectively serves to remind us we need to install smoke alarms in every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area and on every level of the home to give us time to get out safely year-round.

I further proclaim Sunday, October 4th, 2015, as **FIREFIGHTERS MEMORIAL SERVICE DAY.**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Groveport to be affixed this 28th day of September in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Fifteen.




Lance Westcamp, Mayor
City of Groveport