

Office of the Mayor

Proclamation

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

Whereas:

the city of Groveport, Ohio is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting Groveport; 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:

cooking is the #1 cause of home fires and home fire injuries; and

WHEREAS:

two of every five home fires start in the kitchen with 31% of these fires resulting from unattended cooking; and

WHEREAS:

more than half of reported non-fatal home cooking fire injuries occurred when the victims tried to fight the fire themselves; and

WHEREAS:

children under five face a higher risk of non-fire burns associated with cooking than being burned in a cooking fire; and

WHEREAS:

residents should stay in the kitchen when frying food on the stovetop, keep a three-foot kid-free zone around cooking areas and keep anything that can catch fire away from stove tops; and

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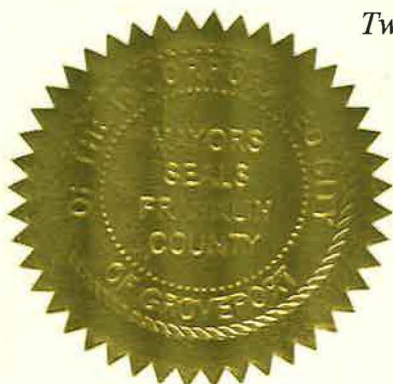
families who plan and practice a home fire escape plan are more prepared and will therefore be more likely to survive a fire; and

WHEREAS:

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lance Westcamp, Mayor of the City of Groveport, Ohio do hereby proclaim October 4-10, 2020 as Fire Prevention Week and urge all of our residents to observe this year's Fire Prevention Week theme, "Serve Up Fire Safety in the Kitchen!" effectively serving to remind us to stay alert and use caution when cooking to reduce the risk of kitchen fires.

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 Twenty.



Lance Westcamp
Lance Westcamp, Mayor
City of Groveport