

Shasta County Board of Supervisors Proclamation

Fire Prevention Week
October 9-15, 2016

WHEREAS, fire is a serious public safety concern and Shasta County is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting Shasta County; and

WHEREAS, nearly 3,000 people are killed in fires each year with most of those deaths occurring in homes; and

WHEREAS, installing smoke alarms inside every bedroom, outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home, including basements, is recommended by the National Fire Protection Association; and

WHEREAS, working smoke alarms decrease the risk of deaths in home fires by 50 percent. Citizens should test all smoke alarms monthly and replace smoke alarms every 10 years or sooner if they don't respond properly when tested; and

WHEREAS, Shasta County's first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and protection education; and residents who have installed and tested smoke alarms for proper working order are better prepared and will, therefore, be more likely to survive a fire; and

WHEREAS, the 2016 *Fire Prevention Week* theme, "Don't Wait – Check the Date! Replace Smoke Alarms Every 10 Years" effectively serves to remind us of the simple actions we can take to keep our homes and families safe from fire;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta hereby proclaims October 9-15, 2016 as *Fire Prevention Week* in Shasta County and urges citizens of Shasta County to protect their homes and families by heeding the important safety messages of *Fire Prevention Week*, and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of Shasta County's fire and emergency services.

Pam Giacomini, Chairman

October 11, 2016

Date