

RESOLUTION 2013 – 14A

**PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 6–12, 2013
AS NATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION WEEK**

WHEREAS, the City of Mason is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting our city; 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, home fires killed more than 2,500 people in the United States in 2011, according to the latest research from the nonprofit National Fire Protection Association (NFPA); and

WHEREAS, fire departments in the United States responded to more than 370,000 home fires in 2011; and

WHEREAS, cooking is the leading cause of home fires in the United States where fire departments responded to more than 156,000 annually between 2007 and 2011 ; and

WHEREAS, two of every five home fires start in the kitchen; 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, working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in reported home fires in half; and

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

WHEREAS, Mason’s residents are responsive to public education measures and are able to take personal steps to increase their safety from fire, especially in their homes; and

WHEREAS, the 2013 Fire Prevention Week theme, “Prevent Kitchen Fires!” effectively serves to remind us to stay alert and use caution when cooking to reduce the risk of kitchen fires.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mason, Ohio, seven members elected thereto concurring:

Section 1 That the Council of the City of Mason hereby designates and proclaims the week of October 6–12, 2013 as National Fire Prevention Week.

Section 2 That this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed this day of 14th day of October, 2013.

Attest:

Clerk of Council

Mayor

