

Office of the Mayor



Proclamation

Whereas, the City of Venice, Florida, is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting Venice; 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 2,580 people, in the United States in 2020, according to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), and fire departments in the United States responded to 356,500 home fires; and

Whereas, Venice residents should identify places in their home where fires can start and eliminate those hazards; and

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 2 minutes to escape safely; and

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

Whereas, Venice residents should install smoke alarms in every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of the home; and

Whereas, Venice residents should listen for the sound of the smoke alarm and when it sounds respond by going outside immediately to the designated meeting place;

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

Whereas, Venice residents are responsive to public education measures and are able to take action to increase their safety from fire, especially in their homes; and

Whereas, the 2022 Fire Prevention Week™ theme, “Fire won’t wait. Plan your escape™” effectively serves to remind us that we need to take personal steps to increase our safety from fire.

Now, Therefore, I, Ron Feinsod, Mayor of the City of Venice, Florida, on behalf of the Venice City Council do hereby proclaim October 9-15, 2022 as

Fire Prevention Week

in the City of Venice, and urge all citizens to follow these recommendations and support the many public safety activities and efforts of the Venice Fire Department during Fire Prevention Week 2022.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Venice to be affixed this 11th day of October, 2022.

Ron Feinsod, Mayor