



**Town of Nags Head
October 3-9, 2021 Fire Prevention Week Proclamation**

WHEREAS, the Town of Nags Head is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting our town; 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 2,770 people in the United States in 2019, according to the National Fire Protection Association, and fire departments in the United States responded to 339,500 home fires; and

WHEREAS, smoke alarms sense smoke well before you can, alerting you to danger in the event of a 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, Nags Head residents should be sure everyone in the home understands the sounds of the alarms and knows how to respond; and

WHEREAS, Nags Head 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, Nags Head residents will make sure their smoke and carbon monoxide alarms meet the needs of all their family members, including those with sensory or physical disabilities; and

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

WHEREAS, Nags Head residents that are responsive to public education measures are better able to take personal steps to increase their safety from fire, especially in their homes; and

WHEREAS, the 2021 Fire Prevention Week theme, "Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety," effectively serves to remind us it is important to learn the different sounds of smoke and carbon monoxide alarms.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that October 3 – 9, 2021, is Fire Prevention Week throughout this Town, and I urge all the people of the Town of Nags Head to "Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety" for Fire Prevention Week 2021 and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of Nags Head Fire Rescue.

All Town residents and visitors are invited to attend the annual Nags Head Fire Department Open House, held at the Douglas A. Remaley Fire Station 16 on Thursday, October 7, 2021, from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM.

Adopted by the Town of Nags Head, North Carolina this 6th day of October 2021.

ATTEST:

Carolyn F. Morris, Town Clerk

Benjamin Cahoon, Mayor
Town of Nags Head