

# Proclamation

## Fire Prevention Week October 9-15, 2022



WHEREAS: the City of St. John's 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 where people are at greatest risk to fire; and

WHEREAS: cooking equipment is the leading cause of home structure fires and associated injuries are the third leading cause of home fire deaths; and

WHEREAS: heating and electrical equipment and smoking materials are among the leading causes of reported home fires; and

WHEREAS: working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in reported home fires in half; and

WHEREAS: City of St. John's first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire deaths and injuries through prevention and protection education; and

WHEREAS: St. John'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: 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: the Fire Prevention Week 2022 theme, "Fire Won't Wait. Plan Your Escape." effectively serves to remind us all of the simple actions we can take to stay safer from fire during Fire Prevention Week and year-round.

THEREFORE: I, Mayor Danny Breen, do hereby proclaim the week of October 9-15, 2022, as Fire Prevention Week in the City of St. John's. I urge all the people of

# ST. JOHN'S

St. John's to heed the important safety messages of Fire Prevention Week 2022 and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of the St. John's Regional Fire Department's Fire and Emergency Services.

I call upon the people of the City of St. John's to participate in fire prevention activities at home, work, and school and to take the steps needed to make their homes and families safe from the leading causes of home fires, which include cooking, heating and electrical.

Signed at City Hall, St. John's, NL on this 3rd day of October, 2022.



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Danny Breen, Mayor