## RECOGNITION OF FIRE PREVENTION WEEK IN THE CITY OF SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO

September 23, 2020

WHEREAS, the City of South San Francisco 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 individuals are at greatest risk from fire; and

WHEREAS, the non-profit organization, National Fire Protection Association, has documented through its research that fires reported in the United States decreased from 1,319,500 in 2017 to 1,318,500 in 2018, and property damage increased from \$23 billion to \$25.6 billion, including 12 billion loss in wildfires in Northern California; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of South San Francisco first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through education, prevention, and emergency response; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of South San Francisco residents are responsive to public education measures and are able to take personal steps to increase their safety from fire; and

WHEREAS, the 2020 Fire Prevention Week theme, "Serve up Fire Safety in the Kitchen" effectively serves to remind us of the simple actions we can take to stay safer from fire not only during Fire Prevention Week but year-round.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Mayor Richard Garbarino and the City Council of the City of South San Francisco do hereby declare October 4-10, 2020, as

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in South San Francisco and urges the South San Francisco community to heed the important safety messages of Fire Prevention Week and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of the City of South San Francisco Fire Department and Emergency Services.