

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

September 25, 2019

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 1,342,000 in 2016 to 1,319,500 in 2017, and property damage increased from \$10.6 billion to \$23 billion (large increase due to a \$10 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 2019 Fire Prevention Week theme, “Not Every Hero Wears a Cape. Plan and Practice Your Escape,” 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 Karyl Matsumoto and the City Council of South San Francisco do hereby declare October 6-12, 2019, as

“FIRE PREVENTION WEEK”

in South San Francisco and urge 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 South San Francisco Fire Department and Emergency Services.

Karyl Matsumoto, Mayor

Richard Garbarino, Vice Mayor

Mark Addiego, Council Member

Mark Nagales, Council Member

Buenaflor Nicolas, Council Member

Dated: September 25, 2019