## A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT OCTOBER 2016 AS FIRE PREVENTION MONTH IN THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS

WHEREAS, the City of Colorado Springs, Colorado is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting Colorado Springs; 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 where working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in reported home fires in half; and

WHEREAS, Colorado Springs residents should install working smoke alarms in every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of the home and should install smoke alarms and alert devices that meet the needs of people who are deaf or hard of hearing; and

WHEREAS, Colorado Springs 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 Colorado Springs Fire Department is dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and protection education, 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, the 2016 Fire Prevention Month theme, "Don't Wait, Check the Date, Replace Smoke Alarms Every 10 Years" effectively serves to remind us that we need working smoke alarms to give us the time to get out safely.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS:

Section 1. That the Colorado Springs City Council, does hereby proclaim the month of October 2016, as **FIRE PREVENTION MONTH** throughout this city, and urge all the people of Colorado Springs to ensure there are working smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each sleeping area, and on every level of the home, including the basement and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of the Colorado Springs Fire Department during Fire Prevention Month 2016.

Dated at Colorado Springs, Colorado, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

Council President

ATTEST:

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk