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The Week of October 4th, 2015 in Columbus, Ohio is Fire Prevention Week.

WHEREAS, The key message of this year's Fire Prevention Week campaign, is to install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of your home, including the basement. Larger homes may need more alarms; and

WHEREAS, Smoke alarms save lives. If there is a fire in your home, smoke spreads fast and you need smoke alarms to give you time to get out. Having a working smoke alarm cuts the chances of dying in a reported fire in half. Almost two-thirds of home fire deaths resulted from fires in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms; and

WHEREAS, Smoke alarms should be installed in every bedroom, outside each sleeping area and on every level of your home; smoke alarms should be tested your smoke alarms every month; when a smoke alarm sounds, get outside and stay outside; replace all smoke alarms in your home every 10 years; and

WHEREAS, In 2007-2011, smoke alarms sounded in half of the home fires reported to U.S. fire departments; and

WHEREAS, Three of every five home fire deaths resulted from fires in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms; and

WHEREAS, No smoke alarms were present in more than one-third (37%) of the home fire deaths; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

That this Council does hereby declare October 4-10, 2015 as Fire Prevention Week and encourages all citizens to learn more about the immense danger fire poses to our community, with steps they can take to help prevent it.