



**FARMERS
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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Farmers Branch Core Value #1 is provide safety and security for citizens, visitors and businesses through progressive public safety programs; and

WHEREAS, fire is a serious public safety concern, and homes are the locations where people are at greatest risk; and

WHEREAS, home fires kill more than 2,500 people annually in the United; and

WHEREAS, three out of five home deaths result from fires in properties without working smoke alarms; and

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

WHEREAS, residents should ensure that their smoke alarms are in working order by testing them monthly, changing the battery at least once a year, making sure they are properly located and replacing them every 10 years; and

WHEREAS, the Farmers Branch Fire Department is dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires through prevention education; and

WHEREAS, the 2014 Fire Prevention Month theme, "Smoke Alarms Save Lives!" effectively serves to remind reminds us if a fire occurs, we need working smoke alarms to give us the time needed to get out safely.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Phelps, Mayor of the City of Farmers Branch, Texas, do hereby proclaim the month of October

"Fire Prevention Month"
In Farmers Branch, Texas

I call upon the people of Farmers Branch to heed the important safety messages of Fire Prevention Month 2014 and to support the public safety activities of the Farmers Branch Fire Department.

Bob Phelps, Mayor