

# Proclamation

*Office of the Mayor | City of Farmers Branch*

WHEREAS, the City of Farmers Branch is committed to ensuring the safety of those who live, work, visit or go to school in Farmers Branch; and

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

WHEREAS, smoke alarms sense smoke well before you can, alerting you to danger in the event of fire in which you may have as little as two minutes to escape safely; and

WHEREAS, Farmers Branch residents should install smoke alarms in every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of the home; and

WHEREAS, residents will make sure their smoke alarms meet the needs of all their family members, including those with sensory or physical disabilities; and

WHEREAS, residents should test smoke alarms at least once a month.

WHEREAS, 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 2024 Fire Prevention Month theme, “Smoke alarms: Make them work for you.TM,” serves to remind us of the importance of having working smoke alarms in the home.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Terry Lynne, Mayor** of the City of Farmers Branch, do hereby proclaim October 2024, as Fire Prevention Month.

***Given this 8<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024.***

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**Terry Lynne, Mayor**