

Grand Junction

State of Colorado

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** *public safety is a top priority in Grand Junction; and*
- WHEREAS,** *safety from fire is important both to citizens and local firefighters, who put their lives on the line with every response to fire; and*
- WHEREAS,** *first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and protection education; and*
- WHEREAS,** *working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in reported home fires in half; and*
- WHEREAS,** *in 2014 U.S. fire departments responded to 1,240,000 structure fires causing 3,240 fire fatalities, 15,925 civilian fire injuries, and \$11.9 billion in direct property loss; and*
- WHEREAS,** *the Grand Junction Fire Department is joining the National Fire Protection Association in teaching lifesaving messages in conjunction with Fire Prevention Week; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Fire Prevention Week's 2014 message "Working Smoke Alarms Save Lives: Test Yours Every Month!" is an important reminder for all citizens of Grand Junction.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phyllis Norris, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim the week of October 5 through October 11, 2014, as

"FIRE PREVENTION WEEK"

in the City of Grand Junction. This week is commemorated across North America and supported by the public safety efforts of fire departments, schools, and other safety advocates in partnership with the National Fire Protection Association.

For more information on how you can support "Fire Prevention Week" go to FPW.org and take the "Smoke Alarm Pledge!"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this day 5th day of October, 2014.

Phyllis Norris
Mayor

