

**TRUCKEE MEADOWS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS**

~PROCLAMATION~

- WHEREAS,** Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District Board of Fire Commissioners are committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting our county; 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
- WHEREAS,** Home cooking is the number one cause of home fires and home fire injuries; and
- WHEREAS,** Given the global pandemic of COVID-19, more residents are staying home longer and cooking more in the home kitchen thereby increasing the risk of kitchen fires; and
- WHEREAS,** Residents should stay *FOCUSED ON THE FOOD*. Unattended cooking is the leading cause of fires in the kitchen; and
- WHEREAS,** *PUT A LID ON IT*. Residents can take simple steps to keep a small kitchen fire from getting out of control by sliding the lid over the pan and turning off the burner; and
- WHEREAS,** *KEEP COOKING AREAS CLEAR*. Clear away clutter and give cooking appliances space to lessen the chance of a kitchen fire; and
- WHEREAS,** *PREVENT SCALDS AND BURNS*. Hot liquids and steam from the stove or oven can cause devastating injuries; and
- WHEREAS,** The 2020 Fire Prevention Week theme, “*Serve up Fire Safety in the Kitchen!*” reminds us that we personally need to take steps to increase our safety from fire not only in our homes, but in our communities.

THEREFORE, The Board of Fire Commissioners does hereby proclaim October 2020 as

~Fire Prevention Month~

and urges all the people of Washoe County to be aware of their surroundings in activities while cooking in the home kitchen, and to support public safety activities and efforts of Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District’s fire and emergency services during Fire Prevention Month.

Dated this 6th Day of October 2020

Bob Lucey, Chair
Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District
Board of Fire Commissioners

AGENDA ITEM #8