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WHEREAS, the City of San Diego recognizes the significant personal and economic toll fires can have on its citizens and by focusing on prevention and safety we can significantly cut the risk of fire; and

WHEREAS, seventy nine percent of fire deaths nationwide occur at home; and

WHEREAS, a fire can spread rapidly in a home and a quick escape route can increase the chances of survival; and

WHEREAS, smoke alarms have proven to be effective life-savers, cutting the home fire death rate by half since their introduction to the general public; and

WHEREAS, working smoke alarms are essential in every household and should be installed on every level of a home, including the basement and outside each separate sleeping area; and

WHEREAS, San Diego is joining the National Fire Protection Association [NFPA] in reaching out to its citizens with a message of fire safety during National Fire Prevention Week 2004; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Prevention Week 2004 theme, "It's Fire Prevention Week: Test Your Smoke Alarms" is an important message for all citizens of San Diego; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that October 3 – 9 is hereby declared "NATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION WEEK" in the City of San Diego.

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