

The Town of Hilton Head Island

Proclamation

WHEREAS, *the Town of Hilton Head Island is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting Hilton Head Island; and*

WHEREAS, *cooking is the leading cause of home fires in the United States; and*

WHEREAS, *Hilton Head Island residents should stay in the kitchen when cooking food on the stovetop, keep a three-foot kid-free zone around cooking areas and keep anything that can catch fire away from stove tops; and*

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

WHEREAS, *the 2020 Fire Prevention Week theme™, “Serve Up Fire Safety in the Kitchen!!” effectively serves to remind us to stay alert and use caution when cooking to reduce the risk of kitchen fires.*

NOW, THEREFORE, *I John J. McCann, Mayor of the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, hereby proclaim October 4-10, 2020 as:*

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

and urge everyone to check their kitchens for fire hazards, use safe cooking practices, and support public safety activities and efforts of Hilton Head Island Fire Rescue.

IN, TESTIMONY WHEREOF, *I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal of the Town of Hilton Head Island to be affixed on this second day of October, in the year of our Lord, two thousand and twenty.*

John J. McCann, Mayor

Attest:

Krista M. Wiedmeyer, Town Clerk