



CARRBORO FIRE-RESCUE
DEPARTMENT
CARRBORO, NORTH CAROLINA



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Carrboro firefighters responded to 1517 calls for assistance in FY 2012-2013, resulting in no fire deaths, only two firefighter injuries; and

WHEREAS, the fire losses for those calls totaled \$ 79,508.00 in property damage, compared to the property value of \$ 4,214,832 or 98% that was saved; and

WHEREAS, nationally the month of October is recognized as Fire Prevention Month with this year's theme being "Prevent Kitchen Fires"; and

WHEREAS, U.S. Fire Departments responded to an estimated annual average of 156,600 cooking-related fires between 2007-2011, resulting in 400 civilian deaths, 5,080 civilian injuries and \$853 million in direct damage, and

WHEREAS, Two of every five home fires start in the kitchen, and

WHEREAS, Unattended cooking was a factor in 34% of reported home cooking fires, and

WHEREAS, residential home fire sprinklers have been proven to be affordable, save lives and reduce property damage; and

WHEREAS, being educated on current fire prevention methods by planning ahead, preparing a home fire escape plan, and practicing fire drills has been proven to save lives; and

WHEREAS, the Carrboro Fire-Rescue Department is engaged in a pro-active effort to reduce the number of fires, deaths and injuries by conducting fire inspections and delivering fire prevention education on Saturday, October 5, 2013 from 8:00 AM until 12:00 PM to further that cause.

NOW THEREFORE, I Mark Chilton, Mayor of the Town of Carrboro, do hereby proclaim the week of October 6-12, 2013 as Fire Prevention Week in the Town of Carrboro. All citizens are encouraged to observe this week of fire prevention by intentionally being "fire smart", visiting the Fire Department to obtain more information and attending the Open House.

This the ____ day of September, 2013 _____

Mayor

