STATE OF OREGON

PROCLAMATION

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS: The State of Oregon is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting our state; and

WHEREAS: Fires in 2010 killed 24 and injured 252 Oregonians and caused $122 million dollars in property damage; and

WHEREAS Oregon fire agencies responded to more than 10,000 fires including 2,700 residential fires; and

WHEREAS: Installing smoke alarms and home fire sprinkler systems, and practicing home fire escape plans and fire drills increases the chances of Oregonians surviving a fire; and

WHEREAS: Oregon residents are responsive to public education measures and are able to take personal steps to increase their safety from fire, especially in their homes; and

WHEREAS: The 2011 Fire Prevention Week theme, "Protect Your Family From Fire" effectively serves to remind us all of the simple actions we can take to stay safer from fire during Fire Prevention Week and year round.

NOW, THEREFORE: I, John A. Kitzhaber, M.D., Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **October 9-15, 2011** to be

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day, July 25, 2011.

John A. Kitzhaber, M.D., Governor

Kate Brown, Secretary of State