

Wildfire Awareness Week 2009 Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** Oregon wildfires continue to threaten life, communities, and structures; and
- WHEREAS,** the number, size and intensity of wildfires continually challenges the state's efforts to protect life, property and natural resources; and
- WHEREAS,** with an increasing number of Oregonians living in, or bordering on areas vulnerable to wildfire, a growing number homes are be threatened by wildfire each year; and
- WHEREAS,** Oregonians need to understand the importance of using fire resistant materials when building and landscaping, as well as creating a survivable space around the property by reducing the fuel load; and.
- WHEREAS,** Oregon encourages fire-safe behavior by all who live, work and recreate throughout Oregon; and
- WHEREAS,** **Name of local organization** has planned a special campaign (or list specific event) in an effort to educate citizens about prevention using risk reduction activities and community-based events for WILDFIRE AWARENESS WEEK 2009; and
- WHEREAS,** all Oregonians share in the personal responsibility to lessen the impact of damage to life, property, and communities by wildfire.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, _____ (insert name), (Mayor, City Council or other official) of the (City/County) of (City/County) do hereby proclaim May 3 - 9, 2009 as

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in _____ (location - town, forest, county, etc), and call upon all the residents of this community to join me in supporting the efforts and activities of the

_____ (sponsoring organization) to reduce the risk to life and property loss as a result of wildfires because "Home Fire Safety is Up to You!"

