

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:** Fire is a serious public safety concern in Oregon, and homes are the places where people are at the greatest risk from fire; and
- WHEREAS:** Home fires have killed 143 people in Oregon from 2011 through 2015; and
- WHEREAS:** Working smoke alarms are a vital component to protecting families from fire and reduce by half the risk of dying in a home fire; and
- WHEREAS:** Residents need to be aware of checking the manufacture date on the back of their smoke alarms to ensure they are less than 10 years old; and
- WHEREAS:** 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 2016 Fire Prevention Month theme, "Don't Wait – Check the Date! Replace Smoke Alarms Every 10 Years," serves to remind us that after 10 years, smoke alarms should be replaced.

**NOW,**  
**THEREFORE:** I, Kate Brown, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **October 2016** to be

**FIRE PREVENTION MONTH**

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, September 1, 2016.



A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Kate Brown", written in a cursive style.

Kate Brown, Governor

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jeanne P. Atkins", written in a cursive style.

Jeanne P. Atkins, Secretary of State