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PROCLAMATION

Fire Prevention Week October 6th – 12th, 2019

WHEREAS, the County of Prince Edward is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting Prince Edward County; and

WHEREAS, fire is a serious public safety concern both locally and nationally, and homes are the locations where people are at greatest risk from fire; and

WHEREAS, when the smoke alarm sounds Prince Edward County residents may have less than two minutes to escape to safety; and

WHEREAS, Prince Edward County 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, Prince Edward County residents should make a home escape plan, drawing a map of each level of the home, showing all doors and windows; and

WHEREAS, Prince Edward County residents should practice the home fire escape plan with everyone in the household, including visitors; and

WHEREAS, Prince Edward County residents should practice the home fire escape drill at least twice a year, during the day and at night; and

WHEREAS, Prince Edward County residents should teach children to escape on their own in case adults can't help them; and



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WHEREAS, Prince Edward County residents should make sure everyone in the home knows how to call 9-1-1 or the local emergency number from a cell phone or a neighbor's phone; and

WHEREAS, Prince Edward County residents should practice using different ways out; and

WHEREAS, Prince Edward County residents in a real emergency should get low and go under the smoke to get out quickly; and

WHEREAS, Prince Edward County residents should get out and stay out, never going back inside the home for people, pets, or things; and

WHEREAS, Prince Edward County residents are responsive to public education measures and are able to take action to increase their safety from fire, especially in their homes; and

WHEREAS, the 2019 Fire Prevention Week™ theme, "Not Every Hero Wears a Cape. Plan and Practice Your Escape!™" effectively serves to remind us that we need to take personal steps to increase our safety from fire.

THEREFORE, I Mayor Steve Ferguson, Mayor of Prince Edward County, do hereby proclaim October 6–12, 2019, as Fire Prevention Week throughout this city, and I urge all the people of Prince Edward County to be aware of their surroundings, look for available ways out in the event of a fire or other emergency, respond when the smoke alarm sounds by exiting the building immediately, and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of Prince Edward County's fire and emergency services during Fire Prevention Week 2019.

Mayor Steve Ferguson

DATED at Picton this 10th day of September, 2019