WHEREAS, the City of Sparks is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting our community; 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, home fires killed 2,735 people in the United States in 2016, according to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), and fire departments in the United States responded to 352,000 home fires; and

WHEREAS, the majority of U.S. fire deaths (4 out of 5) occur at home each year; and
WHEREAS, first responders for the City of Sparks are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and protection education; and

WHEREAS, the 2018 Fire Prevention Week theme, "Look. Listen. Learn. Be aware - fire can happen anywhere" effectively serves to remind us that we need to take personal steps to increase our safety from fire.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GENO R. MARTINI, Mayor of the City of Sparks, Nevada, do hereby proclaim October 7-13, 2018, as:
"FIRE PREVENTION WEEK"
throughout this city, and I urge all the people of the City of Sparks 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 Sparks fire and emergency services during Fire Prevention Week 2018.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Sparks, Nevada to be affixed this $5^{\text {th }}$ day of September, 2018.

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GENO R. MARTINI, Mayor ATTEST:


