



## **Proclamation**

**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 more than 2,500 people in the United States in 2011, according to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), and fire departments in the United States responded to 370,000 home fires; and

**WHEREAS**, cooking is the leading cause of home fires in the United States where fire departments responded to more than 15,000 annually between 2007 and 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, two of every five home fires start in the kitchen; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2013 Fire Prevention Week theme, "Prevent Kitchen Fires!" effectively serves to remind us to stay alert and use caution when cooking to reduce the risk of kitchen fires.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GENO R. MARTINI**, Mayor of the City of Sparks, Nevada, do hereby proclaim October 6-12, 2013

### **FIRE PREVENTION WEEK**

and urge all people of the City of Sparks by checking their kitchens for fire hazards and using safe cooking practices during Fire Prevention Week 2013.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Sparks, Nevada to be affixed this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2013.

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**GENO R. MARTINI, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**TERESA GARDNER, City Clerk**