

**PROCLAMATION  
FIRE PREVENTION WEEK 2021**

- WHEREAS,** the Village of Lombard is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting Lombard; 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 2,770 people in the United States in 2019, according to the National Fire Protection Association® (NFPA®), and fire departments in the United States responded to 339,500 home fires; and
- WHEREAS,** smoke alarms sense smoke well before you can, alerting you to danger in the event of fire in which you may have as little as 2 minutes to escape safely; and
- WHEREAS,** working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in reported home fires in half and Lombard residents should be sure everyone in the home understands the sounds of the alarms and knows how to respond; and
- WHEREAS,** Lombard 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 residents should make sure their smoke and CO alarms meet the needs of all their family members, including those with sensory or physical disabilities; and
- WHEREAS,** Lombard first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and protection education, and residents who are responsive to public education measures are better able to take personal steps to increase their safety from fire, especially at their homes; and
- WHEREAS,** the 2021 Fire Prevention Week theme, “Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety,” effectively serves to remind us it is important to learn the different sounds of smoke and carbon monoxide alarms.
- WHEREAS,** the Lombard Fire Department will host a Fire Prevention Week Open House on October 6, 2021 at Fire Station 45 at 50 E. St. Charles Road from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm;
- NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Keith Giagnorio, President of the Village of Lombard, do hereby proclaim October 3 through 9, 2021, as **FIRE PREVENTION WEEK** throughout our community, and urge all of our residents to “Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety” for Fire Prevention Week 2021 and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of Lombard’s fire and emergency services.

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Keith T. Giagnorio  
Village President