



PROVINCE OF MANITOBA

# PROCLAMATION

## FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

- WHEREAS** the theme for Fire Prevention Week, October 9 to 15, 2016, is “**Don’t Wait: Check the Date! Replace Smoke Alarms Every 10 Years**”, effectively serves to remind us that many people don’t know how old their smoke alarms are or how often they need to be replaced.
- WHEREAS** many dedicated citizens have joined with volunteer, professional and industrial fire safety personnel as “Partners in Fire Prevention” in a relentless effort to minimize loss to life, destruction of property and damage to the environment; and
- WHEREAS** Manitoba residents should install working smoke alarms in every sleeping room, and on every level of the home, outside of the sleeping area; and
- WHEREAS** the members of the Fire Service, partner agencies and the public, in combining their talents and efforts, can ensure a successful fight against the causes of fire incidents; and
- WHEREAS** Households who check the date on their smoke alarm, address issues when the alarm chirps, replace alarms every ten years and replace the alarm battery once a year are more prepared for fire related incidents and are more likely to survive a fire; and
- WHEREAS** the local efforts of the Fire Service are supported by the activities of organizations such as the Council of Canadian Fire Marshals and Fire Commissioners, the Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs, the Manitoba Association of Fire Chiefs, and fire instructors and fire prevention officers; and
- WHEREAS** I call upon the citizens of the Province of Manitoba to participate in fire prevention activities at home by testing their smoke alarms once a month by pushing the test button, and public information agencies to participate in a co-ordinated effort to provide effective fire prevention programs, which will instill in the minds of each citizen those fire safety practices which will reduce loss of life and property caused by fire.

**NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE KNOWN THAT I, Cliff Cullen**, Minister of Growth, Enterprise and Trade for the Province of Manitoba, do hereby proclaim that the week of October 9 to 15, 2016, inclusive shall be known as:

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in Manitoba, and do commend its thoughtful observance to all the citizens of our province.

  
Minister

