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The Nevada Department of Public Safety's State Fire Marshal Division Reminds Nevadans About Fire Prevention Week October 9 -15

Governor Brian Sandoval has proclaimed the week of October 9-15, 2016 as "Fire Prevention Week," in Nevada. The Nevada Department of Public Safety's State Fire Marshal Division would like to remind everyone we can all help make the world be a safer place by learning more about how and why fires start. A link to Governor Sandoval's proclamation can be found [here](#).

This year's Fire Prevention Week campaign, "Don't Wait – Check the Date! Replace Smoke Alarms Every 10 Years," represents the final year of our three-year effort to educate the public about basic but essential elements of smoke alarm safety. With daylight saving time fast approaching remember to change your batteries when you turn your clocks back.

Fire Prevention Week was established to commemorate the Great Chicago Fire, the tragic 1871 conflagration that killed more than 250 people, left 100,000 homeless, destroyed more than 17,400 structures and burned more than 2,000 acres. The fire began on October 8, but continued into and did most of its damage on October 9, 1871.

For more information on Fire Prevention Week visit: <http://www.nfpa.org/>

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