



**PROCLAMATION**  
**FIRE PREVENTION WEEK**  
**October 6 - 12, 2024**

- WHEREAS: Smoky Lake County, Alberta is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting our County; 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: roughly half of fire deaths happen in homes with either no smoke alarms or with no working smoke alarms; 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 two minutes to escape safely; and
- WHEREAS: residents should install smoke alarms in every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of the home and test them at least once a month; and
- WHEREAS: 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
- WHEREAS: Smoky Lake County's first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and protection education; and
- WHEREAS: the 2024 Fire Prevention Week theme, "Smoke alarms: Make them work for you.," serves to remind us of the importance of having working smoke alarms in the home.
- NOW THEREFORE: I, Reeve, Jered Serben of Smoky Lake County do hereby proclaim October 6 - 12, 2024, as Fire Prevention Week throughout the County, and I urge all residents to ensure their homes have working smoke alarms.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jered Serben". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right. Below the signature is a blue horizontal line.

Smoky Lake County Reeve