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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: September 13, 2018
TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Julie Patterson Hunter, Clerk of the Board
SUBJECT: Resolution proclaiming October 7 through 13, 2018 as Fire Prevention Week 2018 in Nevada County.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: Not Applicable.

BACKGROUND:

Fire Prevention Week is the longest running public health observance in the United States starting in 1925 with President Calvin Coolidge proclaiming October 4 through 10, 1925 as National Fire Prevention Week to commemorate the Great Chicago Fire which began October 8, 1871 but tore through and destroyed much of the City on October 9, 1871. As such, Fire Prevention Week is observed on the Sunday through Saturday period in which October 9th falls.

Every year, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) outlines a theme for the week. For 2018, the theme is "Look. Listen. Learn. Be aware – fire can happen anywhere TM"

Fire Prevention Week is supported by the Nevada County Consolidated Fire District which made the initial request for this item to be brought before the Board. Moreover, on February 13, 2018 the Board adopted Resolution 18-062 prioritizing the implementation of existing County policies and programs to reduce the effects of wildfire on life, property and the environment. Pursue hazard vegetation mitigation funding sources and support related community partners with their efforts, as well as explore other ways to reduce the threat and damage from wildfires.

Therefore it is Staff's recommendation that the Board adopt the attached resolution proclaiming October 7 through 13, 2018 as Fire Prevention Week 2018 in Nevada County.

Item Initiated by: Jeffrey Thorsby, Senior Administrative Analyst
Approved by: Julie Patterson Hunter, Clerk of the Board