MOTION BY SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN

Proclaiming October 2025 as National Fire Prevention Month in Los Angeles County

During the month of October, public service departments across the County of Los Angeles (County) come together to spread awareness about fire safety and prevention. These first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and education. They suggest practicing home escape plans, installing and testing smoke alarms, and searching for home hazards.

Each year the campaign focuses on a different aspect of safety and fire prevention. The theme for Fire Prevention Month 2025 is "Charge into Fire Safety: Lithium-Ion Batteries in Your Home," striving to educate everyone about using lithium-ion batteries safely to reduce the change of home fires. The campaign stresses how important it is to BUY, CHARGE, and RECYCLE safely when it comes to lithium-ion batteries.¹

Recognizing Fire Prevention Month is especially critical this year as Los Angeles County experienced two of the most devastating wildfires in County history - the Eaton Fire and the Palisades Fire - earlier in the year. These fires began on January 7th, 2025, and led to the loss of loved ones, homes, businesses, schools, and places of worship,

	<u>MOTION</u>
SOLIS	
MITCHELL	
HORVATH	
HAHN	
BARGER	

¹ https://www.nfpa.org/events/fire-prevention-week

ultimately burning a combined total of over 37,000 acres and leading to over 18,200 structures destroyed or damaged. With the climate changing and the increasing number of fires that are occurring, it is critical that we do our part to educate the public and spread awareness on how we can work together to prevent fires.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors proclaim October 2025 as Fire Prevention Month throughout Los Angeles County and encourage all County residents to learn the essential steps to reduce the likelihood of starting a fire and how to escape safely in the event of a fire.

#

JH:kc/ap