

STATE OF ALASKA



Executive Proclamation by *Sarah Palin, Governor*

WHEREAS, to emphasize our commitment to public safety and recognize and support the efforts of the fire prevention effort throughout Alaska, the month of October is set aside to build a distinct awareness of fire safety.

WHEREAS, the Alaska Division of Fire and Life Safety and fire and emergency services throughout Alaska will be educating Alaskans about fire safety behaviors and fire prevention techniques. Nevertheless, they cannot do the job alone. Every citizen of the state must get involved in practicing fire safety every day.

WHEREAS, in Alaska the number one cause of child fire deaths is children playing with matches and lighters.

WHEREAS, Alaskans must be reminded how important it is to teach their children that matches and lighters are tools, not toys. Keep matches and lighters locked up out of children's reach.

WHEREAS, check your smoke alarms monthly and practice your fire escape plan on a regular basis.

WHEREAS, by practicing these simple safety procedures, Alaskans can reduce child fire injuries and death.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sarah Palin, Governor of the State of Alaska, do hereby proclaim October 2007 as:

Fire Prevention Month

in Alaska, and encourage all citizens to participate in fire prevention activities at home, work, and school and to practice the 2007 theme "Matches and Lighters are Tools Not Toys."

DATED: September 12, 2007



A blue ink signature of Sarah Palin.

Sarah Palin, Governor
who has also authorized the
seal of the State of Alaska to
be affixed to this proclamation.