

STATE OF INDIANA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
INDIANAPOLIS

PROCLAMATION

Executive Order

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS:

- WHEREAS,** the State of Indiana is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting our state; and
- WHEREAS,** fire is a serious public safety concern both locally and nationally, and homes are at the greatest risk; and
- WHEREAS,** fire departments responded to more than 1512 cooking fires in Indiana in 2012; and
- WHEREAS,** cooking is the leading cause of home fires and home fire injuries, while heating equipment and smoking are the leading causes of home fire deaths; and
- WHEREAS,** Indiana's fire service is dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention, protection, and education; and
- WHEREAS,** Indiana's residents are responsive to public education measures and are able to take personal steps to increase their safety from fire, especially in their homes; 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,** "Prevent Kitchen Fires" is the theme of Fire Prevention Week 2013;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael R. Pence, Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby proclaim October 6-12, 2013 as

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

in the State of Indiana, and invite all citizens to duly note this occasion.

*In Testimony Whereof, I hereto
set my hand and cause to be affixed the
Great Seal of State. Done at the
City of Indianapolis, this 24th
day of September in the year of our
Lord 2013 and of the Independence
of the United States 237.*



BY THE GOVERNOR:

Michael R. Pence