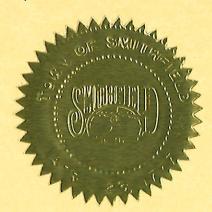
PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING October 5-11, 2025 As Fire Prevention Week In the Town of Smithfield

- WHEREAS, the Town of Smithfield is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting our community; 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, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) has designated the week of October 5th through 11th, 2025, as **Fire Prevention Week** with this year's theme being, "Charge into Fire Safety," which focuses on the importance of safely buying, charging and recycling lithium-ion batteries to prevent fire hazards; and
- WHEREAS, a critical part of fire safety is identifying potential fire hazards and the Smithfield Fire Department encourages the public to use safe, certified products, charge lithium-ion battery powered devices properly, and recycle lithium-ion batteries responsibly; and
- WHEREAS, the dedicated members of the Smithfield Fire Department are committed to reducing the occurrence of home fires and related injuries through prevention and education efforts, and respond quickly and professionally to emergencies within our community; and
- WHEREAS, residents are encouraged to take proactive steps such as installing and maintaining smoke detectors, practicing fire drills, and understanding the dangers of fire to help reduce the risk of fires in their homes and businesses; and
- WHEREAS, Fire Prevention Week provides an opportunity to recognize the importance of fire safety practices, and to honor the courageous work of our firefighters and first responders who protect our lives and property from fire and other hazards.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, M. Andy Moore, Mayor of the Town of Smithfield, do hereby proclaim the week of October 5th through 11th, 2025, as **Fire Prevention Week** in Smithfield, North Carolina. I urge all residents to actively participate in fire prevention activities at home, work, and school, and to honor the dedicated service of the brave firefighters and public safety personnel who work tirelessly to keep our community safe.



M. Andy Moore, Mayor Town of Smithfield, NC

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the Town of Smithfield on this Seventh day of October in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-Five.