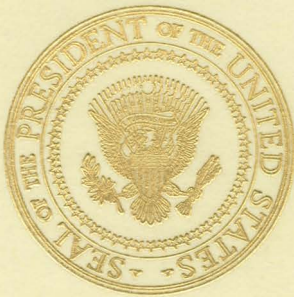


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## Fire Prevention Week, 1974

*By the President of the United States of America*

### A Proclamation

Losses by destructive fires, many of which could have been prevented, constitute a tragic waste of our Nation's human and material resources. Destructive fire is a burden affecting all Americans and constitutes a public health and safety problem of major magnitude.

Our great Nation, blessed with unparalleled technological resources, has the highest per capita rate of death and property loss from fire of all the major industrialized nations in the world. Of most concern is the needless loss of human life. Each year over 12,000 Americans die and over 300,000 are seriously injured and maimed. The tragic part is that the large majority of the deaths and injuries victimize the very young and the aged. In 1973, nearly 2.7 million fires caused in excess of \$3 billion in direct property damage, with the total costs of fire, including fire departments costs, estimated at well over \$11 billion.

I believe that our continuing high rate of losses due to fire is totally unacceptable. This shameful and needless waste of our people and resources, with its adverse effect on our economy, is one which our Nation and local communities can ill afford. As I have stated before, curbing inflation and improving the state of our economy are the highest priorities in this Administration. Fire loss reduction and fire prevention are activities directly related to reducing economic loss and should be a part of our overall national effort.

Of vital concern, and an area in which there is a major need for improved fire safety, is the place where we live: our homes. Each year, more than half the deaths caused by fire—about 6,600 on the average—have occurred in our homes. Last year alone, 73 per cent of all building fires occurred in residences while the loss and damage to homes amounted to more than \$1 billion. For the last 20 years, home fires have accounted for about two-thirds of all building fires. Improved home fire safety is essential if we are to control this human and economic waste.

Most fires are caused by carelessness, lack of knowledge, or hazardous conditions which can be corrected. Much of the tragic waste associated with unwanted fires can be avoided. More emphasis on fire prevention programs and activities throughout the country is needed. Vigorous community fire departments, both paid and volunteer, which have effectively conducted fire prevention programs have contributed substantially to the local and national welfare by reducing significantly the number and effects of destructive fires. Those fire departments which confine their roles to putting out fires and rescuing its victims need to expend more effort on fire prevention. This should include educating children on the principles of fire safety, educating adults on fire safety in homes through residential inspections, enforcing fire protection and prevention codes and standards, and ensuring that adequate fire safety features are designed into our buildings and structures. All citizens need to know the basics of fire prevention, how to report fires, how to extinguish simple fires, and how to react if fire occurs in their homes or places of work. Progress can be made in reducing our fire losses if every American recognizes his and her responsibility for eliminating fire hazards and for participating in the community fire prevention programs. Therefore, it is vital that everyone support and participate in local fire prevention activities, not only during Fire Prevention Week, but at all times. In this way we can reduce the needless losses caused by unwanted fires.

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I call upon all citizens, individually and as a Nation, to support, participate in, and promote the fire prevention programs and activities of their local community fire departments and of the National Fire Protection Association.

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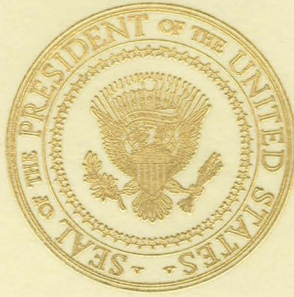
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Let us all work together in reducing the unnecessary waste of human life and property from fire.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this second day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-four, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred ninety-ninth.

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## Fire Prevention Week, 1975

*By the President of the United States of America*

### A Proclamation

The United States can ill-afford to continue to see its resources devoured by ruinous fires. The personal suffering and loss of life, and the destruction of our national wealth and production capabilities, are a needless drain on our Nation. We need to eliminate it.

A recent Bureau of Census survey of household fires indicates that annually one in every sixteen households has a fire which does or could have disastrous results. Most of these fires are avoidable—caused by needless and careless acts. Our national goal should be to achieve an annual reduction in fire deaths, injuries and property losses, cutting those losses in half within a generation. Every American can and must help to prevent these fires.

The business community has a special responsibility to provide fire-safe products. Builders, architects and engineers have a responsibility to provide fire-safe places in which to work and live. Local governments have a responsibility to enact and enforce adequate codes and encourage good fire prevention practices. And fire departments have important responsibilities in providing strong fire prevention programs in their communities, as well as to fight fires and save lives when all else fails.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GERALD R. FORD, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate the week beginning October 5, 1975, as Fire Prevention Week. I call upon each individual and family to participate in the programs of Fire Survival and Exit Drills In The Home to assure safe evacuation in emergencies; and for businesses to conduct year-round fire prevention to include emphasis of on-and-off-the-job applications of fire safety practices.

I also call upon the National Fire Protection Association, members of the Joint Council of National Fire Service Organizations, and other fire safety organizations to join with the National Fire Prevention and Control Administration in providing leadership and materials for a national fire prevention effort.

Local community and fire department organizations are asked to provide the direction and support necessary to assure that each home and business is invited to participate in Fire Prevention Week activities; and Federal agencies are asked to provide an example for the Nation by communicating fire-safe practices to all employees, and by cooperating in State and local activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this ninth day of September, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundredth.

*Gerald R. Ford*





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*By the President of the United States of America*

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Each year in the United States alone, more than three million fires and explosions kill 12,000 persons; seriously burn another 300,000; and destroy more than \$4 billion in property. Another \$7 billion is spent for fire departments, fire insurance, and related costs.

The richest and most technologically advanced nation in the world, we nevertheless lead all the major industrialized countries in per capita deaths and property loss from fire.

Most fires can be traced to a lack of active concern for fire safety. Unfortunately, the innocent—the very young and the aged—are most frequently the victims.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this third day of September, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-six, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and first.

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FIRE PROTECTION CURRICULUM

October 7, 1975

Mr. William J. Baroody, Jr.  
Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.



Dear Mr. Baroody:

I certainly appreciate your sending me the enclosed duplicate of President Ford's Fire Prevention Week Proclamation.

I agree with President Ford relative to the national goal to achieve a fifty percent reduction in the fire deaths, injuries, and property losses within the next generation.

I am hopeful that the Administration and Congress will be allocating many necessary financial and personnel resources in support of this national goal in the future. The federal efforts to date have not particularly impressed me relative to their impact and effectiveness.

Sincerely yours

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "John L. Bryan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

John L. Bryan  
Professor and Chairman  
Fire Protection Curriculum

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

Sept. 30, 1976

MEMO FOR: ROLAND ELLIOTT  
FROM: MARGUERITE MCAULIFFE  
SUBJECT: Fire Prevention Week

Please arrange to have the attached letter  
robo-typed to the individuals on the  
enclosed list for the Fire Prevention Week  
Proclamation.

Thanks very much.





THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 28, 1976

Dear

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William J. Baroody, Jr.  
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September 10, 1976

Ms. Marguerite McAuliffe  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Ms. McAuliffe,

Enclosed is the list of members for whom we are requesting a copy of the 1976 Fire Prevention Week Proclamation. We certainly appreciate your help in this endeavor.

Fire Fighter Donald D. Huntington  
Ladder Co. 2  
2120 M Street NW 20006

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Fire Fighter James M. Chandler  
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Sgt. Stephen P. Lamphier  
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On behalf of the Fire Fighters of Washington, D.C. Many Thanks.

Kenneth M. Cox  
Vice President  
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September 28, 1976



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Sincerely,

William J. Baroody, Jr.  
Assistant to the President

Enclosure





**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**  
**National Fire Prevention and Control Administration**  
Washington, D.C. 20230



September 13, 1976

Ms. Margerite McCauliffe  
Room 170  
Old Executive Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ms. McCauliffe:

In accordance with our recent conversation, the attached list is suggested for distribution of the Fire Prevention Week, 1976 Presidential Proclamation.

Thank you very much for your interest and assistance.

Sincerely,

J. Thomas Hughes  
Executive Advisor

Attachment





THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

September 2, 1976

*Marguerite*

MEMORANDUM FOR:

DAVE GERGEN

FROM:

JIM CONNOR *JEC*

SUBJECT:

Fire Prevention Week Proclamation

The President recently signed a proclamation which was submitted by the Department of Commerce entitled "Fire Prevention Week, 1976" copy attached.

The proclamation designates the week beginning Sunday, October 3 as Fire Prevention Week. Similar proclamations have been issued annually since 1920.

Since this is a matter which will be of great interest to firemen's publications and to the Presidents of the various firefighter organizations, it is suggested that your office develop a plan for distribution of copies of the Fire Prevention Week proclamation.

In order to prevent duplication of effort, it is suggested that you coordinate this plan with Bill Baroody and Bob Linder. In the past Bill Baroody has been sending mailings of proclamations to various interest groups.

cc: Jim Cavanaugh  
Bill Baroody  
Bob Linder

"WJB has seen"



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September 17, 1975

Miss Margurite McAuliffe  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Miss McAuliffe,

Enclosed are the names we had discussed via telephone concerning the Fire Prevention Proclamations. The total count is 26. We deeply appreciate your help in securing these for our membership. I can be reached at the above number if you have any questions.

### Gold Medal For Valor - Highest Medal Awarded

Fire Fighter Bruce J. Nelson - Truck Co. 4., 1300 New Jersey Ave. NW Washington, D.C.

### Silver Medal For Valor

Fire Fighter Gerald E. Strobel - Engine Co. 24- 3702 Georgia Ave. NW Washington, D.C.

Fire Fighter Joseph L. Knott - Engine Co. 25- 3203 Martin Luther King Ave. SE. Washington, D.C.

Fire Fighter Joseph Henry - Ambulance 3 - 2425 Irving Street, SE Washington, D.C.

### Bronze Bar For Valor

Captain Truman Cones - Truck CO. 9 - 1763 Lanier Place NW Washington, D.C.

Lt. Michael C. Tippet- Engine Co. 10 -1342 Florida Ave. NE Washington, D.C.

Lt. Marston D. Sloane - Engine Co. 24 - 3702 Georgia Ave. NW Washington, D.C.

Sgt. David A. Ryan - Truck Co. 7 -1520 C Street SE. Washington, D.C.

Inspector Willie E. Drummond -Headquarters - 614 H. Street NW Washington, D.C.

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Fire Fighter Richard Brown - Engine Co. 27 - 4201 Minnesota AVE. SE Washington, D.C.

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### District of Columbia American Legion "Fire Fighter of the Year Award"

Fire Fighter Kenneth M. Cox - Truck Co. No. 8 - 3203 Martin Luther King Ave. SE Washington, D.C.

### The following members were instrumental in reducing fire loses in Washington, D.C.

Fire Chief Burton W. Johnson - FIRE Department Headquarters - 614 H. Street NW Washington, D.C.

Assistant Chief Charles J. Burger, " " " " "

Assistant Chief Jefferson W. Lewis, " " " " "

Battalion Chief Alfonso J. Torre, " " " " "

Captain Hubert A. Clarke Jr. , " " " " "

Captain Francis X. Flaherty , Engine CO. 18, 414 8th Street SE Washington, D.C.

Fire Photographer Elliot Goodman, Engine Co. 17 , 1227 Monroe St. NE Washington, D.C.

Fire Fighter Donald C. Derner, Engine Co. 15, 2101 14th Street S.E. Washington, D.C.

Battalion Chief James F. Reilly, Third Battalion Headquarters, 2101 14th Street SE Washington, D.C.

Fire Fighter Michael Smith - Engine Co. 11 ,1338 Park Rd. NW Washington, D.C.

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Fire Protection Curriculum  
University of Maryland  
Room 1129 S. Building  
College Park, Maryland 20742



9/20/74

Fire Prevention Week --

Ken Cox (old contact of Don Rodgers) will send me a list of 20 individuals who are Medal-awardees in connection with their fire-fighting work.

Mr. Flinn of the International Association of Fire Chiefs - he is their Director of Information. I should speak to him about this on Monday. (833-3420)



W. H. McClellan ✓  
President  
International Association of Fire Fighters, AFL-CIO  
1750 New York Avenue, N. W.  
Washington, D. C. 20006

Frank A. Palumbo ✓  
Secretary-Treasurer  
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9/24/74

833-3420 - div of Public Relations  
International Assn. of Fire Chiefs--

Spoke with Ken Cox on 9/20 -- he will send  
a list of 20 or so recipients of firemen's  
awards for distinguished service.

9/24/74

Pl man at Fire Chiefs will call me back.  
tomorrow





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October 16, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: ROLAND ELLIOTT  
FROM: MARGUERITE MCAULIFFE  
SUBJECT: Proclamations

Please arrange to have the attached letters robo-typed to the individuals on the enclosed lists.

Thanks very much. (Please note that several individuals should be addressed by their first names as indicated.)





THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 15, 1974

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Bill Baroody, Jr.", written in dark ink.

William J. Baroody, Jr.  
Assistant to the President

Enclosure

780 6316  
62921

THE WHITE HOUSE  
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Ken Cox

Home - 780-2462

Work - 629-2521 2709

Every year he receives 20 ~~xxxxxx~~ copies of the President's proclamation on fire prevention week -- 1st week in October. Copies have a note on them from Secretary Breanan. Mr. Rodgers always did this for him before.

Marguerite -- can you handle?

*Cox is w/ Firefighters' Union  
or some such thing.*



THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

DATE:

TO: *Marguerite Mc Aubiffe*

FROM: ANN MORGAN

*As we discussed.*



*Ann*  
*10/16/74*

 "There are **NO SHORT CUTS**  
when it comes to **FIRE PREVENTION**"

  
**HELP KEEP  
OUR STATE  
BEAUTIFUL AND FIRE SAFE**

**STOP  
FIRES  
WITH  
FIRE PREVENTION**  
ORVILLE G. FAULKNER, JR.



DATE: AUGUST 17, 1974

TO: PRESIDENT GERALD FORD

SUBJECT: FIRE PREVENTION PROCLAMATION

*432A*  
Dear Mr. President,

I would like to introduce myself to you. I am Orville G. Faulkner Jr.,  
Chairman of Fire Prevention for the Md. State Firemen's Association.

After reading the President's report on " AMERICA BURNING ", which shows  
the havoc fire causes across our Country, I would ask that you Mr. President,  
proclaim the week of October 6 thru 12, 1974 as Fire Prevention Week across the  
United States.

Would very much like to receive a copy of the proclamation so that I can  
reproduce it and send it to the 311 Fire Companies in the State of Maryland.

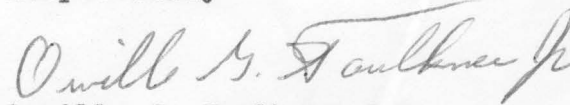
As Chairman of Fire Prevention for the State of Maryland, in behalf of the  
Volunteer and Paid Firemen of Maryland, say thank you for your consideration  
and helping hand to the Fire Service.

Fire Prevention Committee M.S.F.A.

P.O. BOX 13071

BALTIMORE, MD. 21203

Respectfully

  
Orville G. Faulkner Jr.

Chrmn. Fire Prev. Comm.

Md. State Firemen's Assoc.

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FIRE PREVENTION COMMITTEE  
MARYLAND STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

P. O. BOX 13071  
BALTO., MD. 21203



President Gerald Ford  
White House  
Washington, D.C.

10/1/74

Marguerite -

Fire Prevention Check, 1974

(week beginning Oct. 6, 1974)

Kate



MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 1, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Marguerite McAuliffe

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"Fire Prevention Week, 1974"

*Robert D. Linder*  
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October 4, 1974

## Proclamation - Fire Prevention Week

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