

Warren County Board of Supervisors

Proclamation

WHEREAS, fire is a serious public safety concern both locally and nationally, with more than 374,000 home fires having been reported in the United States in 2022, and 2,720 people having perished in those fires, according to the National Fire Protection Association's report, and

WHEREAS, the fatality rate in home fires is 60% lower when there are working smoke detectors in the home, and

WHEREAS, working smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors can sense fire dangers well before a person can, alerting to danger where occupants may have as little as 2 minutes to escape safely, and cutting the risk of dying in home fires or from carbon monoxide exposures in more than half, and

WHEREAS, residents are encouraged to make sure their smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors meet the needs of all family members, including those with sensory or physical disabilities, and

WHEREAS, first responders in Warren County, which include those from the Bay Ridge Volunteer Fire Co.; Bakers Mills Fire Department; Bolton Landing Volunteer Fire Company; Chestertown Volunteer Fire Company; Garnett Lake Fire Department; Glens Falls Fire Department; Hague Volunteer Fire Department; Horicon Volunteer Fire Department; Johnsbury Volunteer Fire Company; Lake George Volunteer Fire Company; Luzerne-Hadley Fire Department; North Creek Volunteer Fire Company; North Queensbury Volunteer Fire Company; North River Volunteer Fire Company; Pottersville Volunteer Fire Department; Queensbury Central Volunteer Fire Company; Riverside Volunteer Fire Department; South Queensbury Volunteer Fire Department; Stony Creek Volunteer Fire Company; Thurman Volunteer Fire Company; Warrensburg Volunteer Fire Company; and West Glens Falls Volunteer Fire Company, are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and protection education, and

WHEREAS, residents who are responsive to public education measures are better able to take personal steps to increase their safety from fire, especially in their homes, and

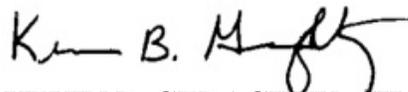
WHEREAS, the 2024 Fire Prevention Week theme, "Smoke alarms: Make them work for you!™," reminds us it is important to make sure smoke detectors are installed and are working properly, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that I, Kevin B. Geraghty, Chairman of the Warren County Board of Supervisors, do hereby belatedly proclaim the week of October 6-12, 2024 to be

FIRE PROTECTION WEEK

in Warren County, and urge all residents to "Learn the Sounds of Safety" and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of Warren County fire and emergency services personnel throughout the year.

DATED: OCTOBER 18, 2024



**KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN
WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**