

# FIRE PREVENTION WEEK 2025

**WHEREAS,** the City of Seguin 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,** home fires killed more than 2,700 people in the United States in 2024, according to the National Fire Protection Association® (NFPA®), and fire departments in the United States responded to 360,000 home fires; and

**WHEREAS,** roughly three out of five fire deaths happen in homes with either no smoke alarms or with no working smoke alarms; and

**WHEREAS,** smoke alarms sense smoke well before you can, alerting you to danger in the event of fire in which you may have as little as 2 minutes to escape safely; and

**WHEREAS,** residents should install smoke alarms in every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of the home; and

**WHEREAS,** residents should also ensure their smoke alarms meet the needs of all their family members, including those with sensory or physical disabilities; 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,** Seguin's first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and protection education; and

**WHEREAS,** the 2025 Fire Prevention Week™ theme, "Charge into Fire Safety: Lithium Ion Batteries in Your Home.™," serves to educate about how important it is to buy, charge and recycle safely when it comes to lithium-ion batteries.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Donna Dodgen, Mayor, of the City of Seguin, Texas, do hereby proclaim October 5–11, 2025, as Fire Prevention Week in Seguin, and I urge all citizens to make sure their homes have working smoke alarms and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of the Seguin Fire Department.

**Presented this 6th day of October 2025**



**It's real.**

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Donna Dodgen".

**Donna Dodgen, Mayor**

