## City of DEER PARK, TX Mayor's Proclamation

## **2020** Proclamation

WHEREAS, the city of DEER PARK is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting the City of Deer Park; 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, cooking is the leading cause of home fires in the United States where two of every five home fires start in the kitchen with 31% of these fires resulting from unattended cooking; and

WHEREAS, the City of Deer Park's residents should stay in the kitchen when frying food on the stovetop, keep a three-foot kid-free zone around cooking areas and keep anything that can catch fire away from stovetops; 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, working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in reported home fires in half; and

WHEREAS, the City of Deer Park's first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and protection education; and

WHEREAS, the 2020 Fire Prevention Week theme<sup>™</sup>, "Serve Up Fire Safety in the Kitchen!!" effectively serves to remind us to stay alert and use caution when cooking to reduce the risk of kitchen fires.

THEREFORE, I, MAYOR JERRY MOUTON of the City of Deer Park, do hereby proclaim October 4-10, 2020, as Fire Prevention Week for the City of Deer Park.