

Alachua County Florida

A Proclamation

**Declaring October 6th through 12th, 2019 as
“Fire Prevention Week 2019”
in Alachua County, Florida**

Whereas, Alachua County Florida is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting Alachua County; and fire is a serious public safety concern both locally and nationally, and homes are the location where people are at greatest risk from fire; and

Whereas, the majority of US fire deaths (4 out of 5) occur at home each year; and when the smoke alarm sounds residents may have less than two minutes to escape to safety; and

Whereas, residents should make a home escape plan, drawing a map of each level of the home, and residents should practice the home fire escape plan with everyone in the household; and

Whereas, residents should practice the home fire escape drill at least twice a year, during the day and at night; and residents in a real emergency should get low and go under the smoke to get out quickly; and

Whereas, the 2019 Fire Prevention Week theme, “**Not Every Hero Wears a Cape. Plan and Practice Your Escape!**” effectively serves to remind us that we need to take personal steps to increase our safety from fire.

Now, therefore, through the authority vested in me by the Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County, Florida, I do hereby proclaim October 6th through 12th, 2019 as “Fire Prevention Week” in Alachua County, Florida.

Duly proclaimed this 8th day of October, A.D., 2019.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____
Charles S. Chestnut, IV, Chair

ATTEST:

J.K. “Jess” Irby, Esq.