PUGET SOUND REGIONAL FIRE AUTHORITY
INTERNATIONALLY ACCREDITED FIRE AGENCY

Professionally and compassionately helping people.

Proclamation for National Fire Prevention Week
October 4-10, 2026

WHEREAS, the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting its response area and dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and injuries through prevention and protection education; 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 the presence of lithium-ion batteries in many household devices introduces unique fire risks; and

WHEREAS, Most of the rechargeable electronics used in homes daily- including smartphones, tablets, laptops, power tools, e-bikes, e-scooters, and toys - are powered by lithium-ion batteries, which if misused, damaged, or improperly charged, can overheat, start a fire, or explode; and

WHEREAS, the 2026 Fire Prevention Week™ theme, "Charge into Fire Safety™: Safe Charging Is a Superpower," serves to remind all residents that safe charging can help reduce the risk of fires in homes and communities; and

WHEREAS, the way lithium-ion battery devices are charged can make a difference in helping prevent home fires; and

WHEREAS, residents are encouraged to understand that safe charging means making smart choices every time they plug in;

NOW THEREFORE, the Honorable Governance Board for the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority do hereby proclaim October 4-10, 2026, as **FIRE PREVENTION WEEK** in the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority and encourage residents to follow three key calls to action: buy only listed products, charge batteries safely, and recycle them responsibly to prevent battery-related fires.

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