

# Proclamation

*Office of the Mayor, City of Mukilteo*

## National Fire Prevention Week October 5-11, 2025

WHEREAS, the City of Mukilteo is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting our city; and

WHEREAS, fire remains a serious public safety concern both locally and nationally, and the presence of lithium-ion batteries in many household devices introduces unique fire risks; and

WHEREAS, most of the 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 National Fire Protection Association<sup>®</sup> (NFPA<sup>®</sup>) reports an increase in battery-related fires, underscoring the need for public education on the safe use of lithium-ion batteries; and

WHEREAS, residents should follow three key calls to action: Buy only listed products, charge batteries safely, and recycle them responsibly to prevent battery-related fires; and

WHEREAS, lithium-ion batteries store a large amount of energy in a small space, and improper use such as overcharging, using off-brand chargers without safety certification, or exposing batteries to damage can result in fire or explosion; and

WHEREAS, the proper disposal and recycling of lithium-ion batteries help prevent environmental hazards and reduce fire risks in the home and community; and

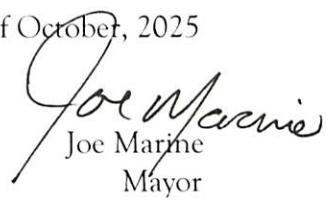
WHEREAS, City of Mukilteo first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of fires through prevention, safety education, and community outreach; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 Fire Prevention Week<sup>TM</sup> theme, “Charge into Fire Safety<sup>TM</sup>: Lithium-Ion Batteries in Your Home,” serves to remind us of the importance of using, charging, and recycling lithium-ion batteries safely to reduce the risk of fires in homes and communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Joe Marine, Mayor of Mukilteo, do hereby proclaim October 5-11, 2025, as *National Fire Prevention Week* throughout the City.



Signed this 6<sup>th</sup> Day of October, 2025

  
Joe Marine  
Mayor