

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania



Governor's Office

PROCLAMATION

CAMPUS FIRE SAFETY MONTH September 2019

WHEREAS, since January 2000, at least 175 people, including students, parents, and children, have died in campus-related fires with 87 percent of these fires occurring in off-campus occupancies;

WHEREAS, automatic fire alarm systems and smoke alarms provide the necessary early warning of a fire to occupants and the fire department so that appropriate action can be taken; and

WHEREAS, automatic fire sprinkler systems are a highly effective method of controlling or extinguishing a fire in its early stages, protecting the lives of the building's occupants; and

WHEREAS, fire safety education is an effective method of reducing the occurrence of fires and reducing the resulting loss of life and property damage; and

WHEREAS, it is vital to educate the future generations of our nation about the importance of fire safety so that these behaviors can help to ensure their safety during their college years and beyond; and

WHEREAS, by developing a generation of fire-safe adults, future loss of life from fires can be significantly reduced.

THEREFORE, I, Tom Wolf, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim September 2019 as CAMPUS FIRE SAFETY MONTH, and I urge schools and municipalities to provide educational programs to all students during September and throughout the school year.



GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, this seventh day of August two thousand nineteen, the year of the commonwealth the two hundred forty-fourth.

Tom Wolf
TOM WOLF
Governor