Sample Proclamation

MAY IS ELECTRICAL SAFETY MONTH

Whereas, hundreds of people die and thousands are injured each year in the United States as a result of electrically-related incidents;
Whereas, there are, on average, 450 civilian deaths related to electrical home structure fires each year;
Whereas, property damage resulting from home fires caused by electrical failure or malfunction amounts to more than $1.5 billion annually;
Whereas, more than seven people are electrocuted each week in the United States;
Whereas, following basic electrical safety precautions can help prevent thousands of people from being injured or killed each year;
Whereas, citizens are encouraged to inspect their homes and workplaces for possible electrical hazards;
Whereas, citizens are advised to protect their homes and families with the latest safety technology, such as ground fault circuit interrupters, arc fault circuit interrupters, and tamper resistant receptacles;
Whereas, citizens are urged to install, test, and properly maintain an adequate number of smoke alarms;
Whereas, the Electrical Safety Foundation International (ESFI) is dedicated exclusively to promoting electrical safety in the home, school, and workplace through education, awareness, and advocacy:
Now, therefore, I, _____, Governor of _____, do hereby proclaim May as Electrical Safety Month. This month observes the importance of establishing and practicing good electrical safety habits in the home, school, and workplace to reduce the number of electrically-related fires, injuries, and deaths.
I call upon the people of _____ to celebrate electrical safety during the month of May and to follow good electrical safety practices throughout the year.
In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this _____ day of _____ 2012.

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Gov. Date