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Fire Department Promotes Fire Prevention Week

Hinsdale, Ill. – The Hinsdale Fire Department is teaming up with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) the official sponsor of Fire Prevention Week™ for more than 90 years to promote this year's Fire Prevention Week campaign, "Look. Listen. Learn. Be aware. Fire can happen anywhere™," which works to educate the public about basic yet essential ways to quickly and safely escape a home fire. Fire Prevention week starts on Sunday, October 7 and runs thru Saturday, October 13, 2018.

Members of the Hinsdale Fire Department want residents to know that today's home fires burn faster than ever. In a typical home fire, you may have as little as one to two minutes to escape safely from the time the smoke alarm sounds. Knowing how to use that time wisely takes planning and practice. This year's "Look. Listen. Learn." campaign highlights three steps people can take to help quickly and safely escape a fire:

- **Look** for places fire could start.
- **Listen** for the sound of the smoke alarm.
- **Learn** 2 ways out of every room.

The Department encourages all residents to develop a home safety plan in the event there is smoke or fire in their home, and practice that plan at least twice a year. Residents can learn more safety tips and additional information on developing home safety plans at the Village of Hinsdale Fire Department's Annual Open House, which will be held on Saturday, October 13, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Village's Fire and Police Departments, 121 Symonds Drive.

For more information about Fire Prevention Week and home escape planning, visit www.fireprevention-week.org, contact the Village of Hinsdale Fire Department at (630) 789-7060, or visit the Village of Hinsdale website at www.villageofhinsdale.org.

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