

# STATE OF OKLAHOMA



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## Proclamation

Whereas, recent student housing fires around the country have tragically cut short the lives of some of our nation's youth; and

Whereas, since January of 2000, at least 158 people have died in campus-related fires; and

Whereas, approximately eighty-five percent of these deaths have occurred in off-campus occupancies; and

Whereas, automatic fire alarm systems and smoke alarms provide the necessary early warning of a house fire to occupants and the fire department so 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 and 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, students may not be routinely receiving effective fire safety education during their time in college; and

Whereas, it is vital to educate the future generations of our nation regarding the importance of fire safety behavior during their college years and beyond;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim September 2013 as

**"Campus Fire Safety Month"**

in the state of Oklahoma.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and thirteen and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and fifth year.

Mary Fallin

Assistant *Chris Drumm*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

GOVERNOR

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