

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, one fire death is too many and during 1985 there were nearly 40 deaths in Colorado resulting from fire; and

WHEREAS, the majority of fires (80%) and fire deaths occur in the home with the principal reasons for these tragedies being a lack of functioning early warning devices in the home and individuals fail to act appropriately in the event of fire; and

WHEREAS, the average American experiences 3 fires during their adult lifetime, yet many people continue to believe they will not ever be faced with a fire and therefore have a disregard for the importance of planning and practicing for the event of a fire; and

WHEREAS, it is well known that fire drills save lives and are therefore mandated in high risk occupancies such as schools, but are not practiced at home where 80% of all fires occur; and

WHEREAS, the "Plan To Get Out Alive" family fire drill, which will be held on October 9, 1986 at 6:00 P.M., provides families in Colorado an opportunity to plan for their safety at home and to practice their plan; and

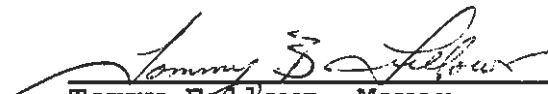
WHEREAS, on that date Colorado will become one of two states to hold a statewide family fire drill for the first time ever in the history of the nation;

NOW THEREFORE, I TOMMY FELLOWS, Mayor of the Town of Berthoud, Colorado, do hereby proclaim October 9, 1986 as

FAMILY FIRE DRILL DAY

in the Town of Berthoud, Colorado and urge all families to become more aware of what they can do to plan and practice fire safety at home and to participate in the "Plan To Get Out Alive" family fire drill on October 9th, 1986 at 6:00 P.M.

GIVEN under my hand and seal the 20th of September, 1986.


Tommy Fellows, Mayor
Berthoud, Colorado