

2011 National Arson Awareness Week Sample Resolution

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WHEREAS, Public awareness is one of the specific responsibilities of the U.S. Fire Administration; and

WHEREAS, A community Arson Watch Program can put the “neighbor” back into neighborhood by creating a sense of cooperation. It brings the fire service, law enforcement and citizens together to reduce the crime of arson.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, [Governor’s or Mayor’s name], [Governor or Mayor] of [City or State], on behalf of its citizens do hereby proclaim May 1-7, 2011, to be Arson Awareness Week.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the [Governor or Mayor] and [insert Cabinet or Council, etc.] pay special tribute to all fire and law enforcement investigative agencies for their dedicated and tireless service.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the [insert Governor or Mayor] and [insert Cabinet or Council, etc.] of the [insert City or State] have hereunto subscribed their names and have caused the Official Seal of the [insert City and County or State] to be hereunto affixed in the

[City or State] of _____ on this _____ day of _____ 2011.

_____[Signature]

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that The International Association of Arson Investigators, Inc., Board of Directors, meeting in Executive Session on February 1, 2011, in Atlanta, Georgia, hereby proclaims the week, beginning on May 1, 2011, as National Arson Awareness Week, and the first full week of May shall be so designated each year thereafter.

By action of the Board of Directors
International Association of Arson Investigators, Inc.
February 1, 2011
Atlanta, Georgia