

## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, severe burn injuries are a major cause of deaths and injuries in North America, especially among young children; and

WHEREAS, every year hundreds of children under age 10 die in home fires; and

**WHEREAS**, approximately 85 percent of fire-related deaths occur in homes, and fires and burns are a leading cause of injury-related fatalities among children under age 15; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of children are taken to the emergency room every day with burn injuries; and

**WHEREAS**, Shriners International operates four Shriners Hospitals for Children® providing pediatric burn care; and

**WHEREAS**, Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children join with others in the burn care field across the nation in recognizing the seriousness of this problem and the urgent need to educate the public about burn prevention; and

**WHEREAS**, it is fitting and appropriate to acknowledge the contributions of Shriners International and to commend the Shriners for their continued support and care for children with burn injuries; and

**Now, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, TIMOTHY M. HANNA**, Mayor of the City of Appleton, Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim the week of February 2 – 8, 2020, as

## Burn Awareness Week

in Appleton and encourage all our citizens to visit <u>www.beburnaware.org</u> and take appropriate precautions to protect families from devastating burn injuries.

Signed and sealed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of February 2020.

TIMOTHY M. HANNA MAYOR OF APPLETON