



# County Commissioners of Charles County

## PROCLAMATION 2025-08

### National Burn Awareness Week

**WHEREAS**, National Burn Awareness week, led by the American Burn Association is an annual, nationwide awareness program designated to provide an opportunity for burn, fire and life safety educators to unite in sharing a common burn awareness and prevention message in our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, each year, thousands of people suffer burn-related injuries that require medical treatment, with many of these incidents being preventable through increased awareness, education, and safety measures; and

**WHEREAS**, understanding how to prevent burns, respond promptly and effectively when they occur can save lives and reduce devastating impacts on physical, emotional, and financial well-being; and

**WHEREAS**, the theme for 2025 is "Burn Prevention Where You Live, Work, and Play-Preventing Burns in the Homes" focuses on reducing burn risks in homes, apartments, and all living spaces; and

**WHEREAS**, the MedStar Health Burn Center, a leader in burn care and prevention with over 100 years of experience, has requested the observance of this important week to raise awareness and promote burn safety that prevent burn injuries in our communities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND**, do hereby proclaim February 2-8, 2025 as **NATIONAL BURN AWARENESS WEEK** in Charles County encourage all residents to take the time to implement burn safety measures in their homes.

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