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The Office of the Mayor

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, every 23 seconds, a fire department in the United States responds to a fire somewhere in the nation and responds to a growing number of medical calls for service, surpassing 80% of total call volume in some jurisdictions; and,

Whereas, Community Risk Reduction is a data-informed process to identify and prioritize local risks, followed by integrated and strategic investment of resources to reduce their occurrence and impact; and,

Whereas, the value of community support from local, state, and national partners to address community risks is recognized to meet the demands on paid, combination, and volunteer members of the fire service; and,

Whereas, the goal of Community Risk Reduction is to reduce the occurrence and impact of emergency events for both community members and emergency responders through deliberate action in the areas of the five E's of Education, Engineering, Enforcement, Emergency response, and Economic incentive; and,

Whereas, the City of Meridian supports the Community Risk Reduction effort to help keep our communities safe and thriving.

Therefore, I Mayor Robert E. Simison, hereby proclaim January 19-25, 2026 as

Community Risk Reduction Week

in the City of Meridian and call upon the citizens to join this grassroots initiative of fire service professionals across the nation to raise awareness of the importance of Community Risk Reduction in the fire service community and an opportunity to make communities safer.

Dated this 13th day of January, 2026

Robert E. Simison, Mayor

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