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ELDERLY TO RECEIVE FREE SMOKE ALARMS AND CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS
Public Safety & Livable Neighborhoods Chair & Burn Institute Team Up to Save Lives in District 6

San Diego, CA: On Wednesday, October 10th, beginning at 11:00 a.m., City Councilmember Chris Cate, in partnership with the Burn Institute, will be installing several dozen smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors, in senior citizens' homes in San Diego's Sixth Council District.

According to the National Fire Protection Association, no smoke alarms were present in more than one-third of home fire deaths. Additionally, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that several thousand people visit hospital emergency rooms annually to be treated for carbon monoxide poisoning.

"A working smoke alarm and carbon monoxide detector in your home can save your life by alerting you of pending danger. I've seen first-hand how these systems save lives," stated Chris Cate, Public Safety and Livable Neighborhoods Chairman.

Throughout the year, the Burn Institute, community volunteers, and members of the fire service take part in a collaborative effort to install lifesaving smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors for qualified seniors in San Diego County, at no expense to the homeowner. To date in 2018, the Burn Institute has installed 3,787 smoke alarms.

WHAT: Smoke Alarm and Carbon Monoxide Detector Installation Event

WHERE: 4152 Mount Hukee Avenue, San Diego, CA 92117
(Home of a Clairemont senior citizen. Media location.)

WHEN: October 10, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.

VISUALS: Installation of smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors
Interviews with public safety professionals

