10 FIRE SAFETY AND PREVENTION TIPS

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- I. Install smoke detectors in every room of your home, and check their batteries once a month.
- 2. Keep at least one fire extinguisher on each floor of your home as well as in the garage. Educate your family on how to properly use them.
- 3. Make sure your kids know how to call 9-1-1, ensuring they call only in case of emergency.
- 4. Never leave a stove or grill unattended when in use. Cooking is the leading cause of house fires.
- 5. Check and maintain your appliances, especially dryers. Clean lint traps after every use.

- 6. Use heating equipment, such as space heaters, with caution.
- 7. Have your fireplace professionally inspected and cleaned at least once a year.
- 8. Always keep an eye out for potential fire hazards, like damaged extension cords and overloaded outlets.
- 9. Smoking is another leading cause of house fires. If you smoke, avoid doing so indoors and always safely dispose of your cigarettes.
- 10. Have a fire escape plan and practice it at least twice a year. Identify two exits per room in your plan. Designate a safe meeting spot outside your home as well.