



By His Excellency Dannel P. Malloy, Governor: an
Official Statement

WHEREAS, our state's continuing efforts to address the critical issues of safety, energy efficiency, water conservation, and sustainability give us confidence that our structures are safe and sound; and

WHEREAS, our confidence is achieved through the devotion of vigilant guardians – building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, laborers, and others in the construction industry who work year-round to ensure the safe construction of buildings; and

WHEREAS, the International Codes, the most widely-adopted building safety, energy, and fire prevention codes in the nation, are used by most U.S. cities, counties, and states. These modern building codes also include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornados, wildland fires, and earthquakes; and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Month reminds the public of the critical role our communities' largely-unknown guardians of public safety – our local code officials – in maintaining safe, efficient, and livable buildings; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme, "Building Codes Save Lives," encourages all Americans to raise awareness of the importance of safe and reliable construction methods, fire prevention, disaster mitigation, and new technologies in the construction industry. Building Safety Month 2018 encourages appropriate steps that everyone can take to ensure that the places where we live, learn, work, worship, and play are safe, and recognizes that countless lives have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes by local and state agencies; and

WHEREAS, each year, in observance of Building Safety Month, Americans are asked to consider projects to improve building safety and sustainability at home and in the community, and to acknowledge the essential services provided to all of us by local, state, and federal agencies in protecting lives and property; now

THEREFORE, I, Dannel P. Malloy, Governor of the State of Connecticut, do hereby officially proclaim the month of May 2018 as

BUILDING SAFETY MONTH

in the State of Connecticut and encourage our citizens to join with other communities in participation in Building Safety Month activities.




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