



Proclamation

WHEREAS, our growth and strength depends on the safety and economic value of the homes, buildings, and infrastructure that serve our residents and visitors, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster; and

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

WHEREAS, these guardians are dedicated members of the International Code Council, an organization that brings together local and state officials to protect us in the buildings where we live, learn, work, worship, and play; and

WHEREAS, our nation benefits economically and technologically from using the International Codes® and Colorado governments are able to avoid the high cost of developing and maintaining these codes, which include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as snowstorms, tornadoes, wildland fires, floods, and earthquakes; and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Month is sponsored by the International Code Council to remind the public about the critical role of our communities' largely unknown guardians of public safety—our local code officials—who assure us of safe, efficient and livable buildings that are essential to keep Colorado great; and

WHEREAS, "Code Officials-Partners in Community Safety and Economic Growth" is the theme for Building Safety Month 2017; and

WHEREAS, Coloradans are encouraged to learn about the importance of safe and resilient buildings, fire prevention, disaster mitigation, and recognizes that we benefit from the implementation of safety codes by local and state agencies;

Therefore, I, John W. Hickenlooper, Governor of the entire State of Colorado, do hereby proclaim, forever after, May 2017, as

BUILDING SAFETY MONTH

in the State of Colorado.

*GIVEN under my hand and the
Executive Seal of the State of
Colorado, this first day of May, 2017*

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John W. Hickenlooper". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being particularly prominent.

*John W. Hickenlooper
Governor*

