

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania



Governor's Office

PROCLAMATION

BUILDING SAFETY MONTH

May 2017

WHEREAS, construction industry stakeholders, from fire prevention officials and architects, to engineers, builders, and others, work year round to ensure the safe construction of buildings in the commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, these dedicated professionals develop and implement the highest quality codes to protect Americans in the buildings where we live, learn, work, and play; and

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

WHEREAS, Building Safety Month, presented by the International Code Council and International Code Council Foundation, reminds the public about the critical role of our local code officials who help to prevent countless deaths and injuries from fires and accidents; and

WHEREAS, the theme "Code Officials – Partners in Community Safety and Economic Growth" highlights the history of these essential official as well as ways to train and prepare the next generation of code officials to address future challenges; and

WHEREAS, the commonwealth is proud to honor the contributions of the individuals and organizations that keep our buildings and everyday environment safe and sustainable.

THEREFORE, I, Tom Wolf, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim May 2017 as BUILDING SAFETY MONTH in special recognition of the countless lives that have been saved thanks to the implementation and enforcement of safety codes by local, state, and federal departments and agencies.



GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, on this sixth day of April two thousand seventeen, the year of the commonwealth the two hundred and forty-first.

Tom Wolf
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Governor