

# STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

## Proclamation

*WHEREAS*, the State of Wisconsin has been a leader in the safety of our buildings, having in place, the “Safe Place Statutes” since 1913; and

*WHEREAS*, our state’s continuing efforts to address the critical issues of safety, energy efficiency, water conservation, water quality, and sustainability in buildings that affect our citizens, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster, give us confidence that our structures are safe and sound; and

*WHEREAS*, our confidence is achieved through the devotion of vigilant guardians – building safety officials, fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, laborers, and others in the construction industry – who work year-round to ensure the construction of safe buildings along with the dedicated members of the International Code Council who develop and implement the highest-quality codes to protect our citizens in the buildings where we live, learn, work, worship, play, and visit; 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; and

*WHEREAS*, “Code Officials – Partners in Community Safety and Economic Growth,” the theme for 2017, is sponsored by the International Code Council, which raises awareness of the importance of building safety to ensure that the places we frequent are safe and recognizes that countless lives have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes by local and state agencies; and

*WHEREAS*, during observance of Building Safety Month, Wisconsin residents are asked to acknowledge the essential inspection and enforcement services provided by city, village, town, county, and state officials;

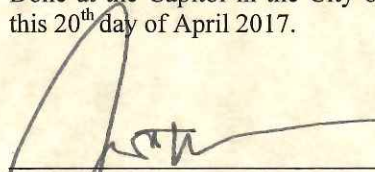
*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim the month of May 2017 as

### **BUILDING SAFETY MONTH**

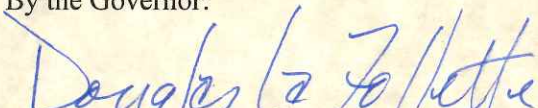
throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our citizens.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April 2017.

  
SCOTT WALKER  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State