



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Minnesota's continuing efforts to address the critical issues of safety, energy efficiency, water conservation, and resilience in the built environments 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 fortified by the diligence of building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, laborers and others in the construction industry – who work year-round to ensure the safe construction and maintenance of our buildings; and

WHEREAS: Dedicated members of the International Code Council use a governmental consensus process that brings together local, state and federal officials with expertise in the built environment to create and implement the highest-quality codes to protect Americans in the buildings where we live, learn, work, worship, play; 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, tornadoes, wildland fires, floods and earthquakes; and

WHEREAS: "Building Codes: Driving Growth through Innovation, Resilience and Safety" the theme for Building Safety Month 2016, encourages all Americans to raise awareness of the importance of building safe and resilient construction; fire prevention; disaster mitigation, water safety and conservation; energy efficiency and new technologies in the construction industry.

WHEREAS: Building Safety Month encourages appropriate steps everyone can take to ensure that the places where we live, learn, work, worship and play are safe and sustainable, and recognizes that countless lives have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes by local and state agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2016, as:

BUILDING SAFETY MONTH

in the state of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the state of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 18th day of April.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE