



# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**  
GOVERNOR

**BUILDING SAFETY MONTH**

**2018**

**BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**

## **A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina recognizes that our growth and strength depend in part on the safety and economic value of our homes, buildings, and infrastructure in everyday life and in times of natural disaster; and

**WHEREAS**, building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, design professionals, laborers, and others in the construction industry work year-round to ensure the safe construction of these buildings; and

**WHEREAS**, these professionals are dedicated members of the International Code Council, a United States based organization that brings together local, state, and federal officials to create and implement the highest-quality codes to protect us in the buildings where we live, learn, work, worship, and play; and

**WHEREAS**, the International Codes are developed by a voluntary consensus codes and standards developing organization, and are the most widely adopted building safety and fire prevention codes in the nation; these modern building codes include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wildland fires, floods, and earthquake; and

**WHEREAS**, Building Safety Month is sponsored by the International Code Council to remind the public about the critical role of our local code officials, who assure us of safe, efficient buildings; and

**WHEREAS**, the theme for Building Safety Month 2018, *Building Codes Save Lives*, raises awareness of the importance of safe and resilient construction, fire prevention, disaster mitigation, and new technologies in the construction industry; and

**WHEREAS**, each May, people are encouraged recommit to improve building safety and economic investment at home and in the community, and to acknowledge the essential service provided by local and state building departments, fire prevention bureaus, and federal agencies in protecting lives and property;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May, 2018, as **"BUILDING SAFETY MONTH"** in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



  
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Roy Cooper  
Governor

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-sixth day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-second.