



## Executive Proclamation by Governor Mike Dunleavy

WHEREAS, Alaskans are committed to recognizing that our growth and strength depends on the safety and effectiveness of our homes, buildings, and infrastructure, in everyday life and when disasters strike; and

WHEREAS, our confidence in the resilience of these buildings can only be achieved through the dedication of vigilant building safety inspectors, fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, design professionals, laborers, and others in the construction industry who work year-round to ensure the proper construction of Alaskan buildings; and

WHEREAS, the International Code Council is a nonprofit that brings together local, state, and federal officials who are experts in the built environment to create and implement the highest quality codes to protect us in the buildings where we live, learn, work, and play; and

WHEREAS, our communities benefit economically and technologically from using modern, up-to-date codes and standards, including the International Codes, which are the most widely adopted building safety and fire prevention codes in the world; and

WHEREAS, these modern building codes include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, 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' protectors of public safety – our state and local code officials – who assure us of safe, sustainable, and affordable buildings that are essential to our livelihood; and

WHEREAS, the theme for Building Safety Month 2023 is "It Starts With You," and encourages all Alaskans to raise awareness about building safety on a personal, local, and global scale.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mike Dunleavy, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, do hereby proclaim May 2023 as:

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in Alaska, and encourage all Alaskans to commit to improving building safety and economic investment at home and in the community, and to acknowledge the essential services provided to all of us by state and local agencies who have the mission to educate while protecting our lives and property.

Dated: May 1, 2023



Mike Dunleavy, Governor who has also authorized the seal of the State of Alaska to be affixed to this proclamation.