## STATE of WISCONSIN



Proclamation

WHEREAS; our state takes the health and safety of all Wisconsinites, regardless of race, gender, income, or zip code, seriously; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin has long been a leader in designing, constructing, and maintaining safe buildings where all Wisconsinites can live, learn, work, play, heal, worship, and visit; and

WHEREAS; our state renews its commitment to addressing the critical issues of safety, energy efficiency, water conservation, water quality, and sustainability in buildings throughout Wisconsin, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster; and

WHEREAS; the International Codes – the most widely adopted building safety, energy, and fire prevention codes nationwide – include important safeguards to protect folks from natural disasters, such as floods, tornadoes, and wildfires; and

WHEREAS; our state recognizes the contributions of building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, design professionals, laborers, plumbers, and others in the construction industry to overall public safety; and

WHEREAS; we are reminded of the critical role of our communities' largely unsung protectors of public safety – our local code officials – who assure us of the safety, efficiency, and livability of our buildings; and

WHEREAS; this Building Safety Month, the state of Wisconsin joins all Wisconsinites in acknowledging the essential inspection and enforcement services provided by city, village, town, county, and state officials that ensure our structures are safe and sound;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim May 2020 as

## **BUILDING SAFETY MONTH**

the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our state's residents.

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 2020.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State

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