

CITY OF PHILADELPHIA  
Michael A. Nutter, Mayor

## PROCLAMATION

The **City of Philadelphia** continues to address the critical issues of safety, energy efficiency and sustainability. Our citizens must have confidence that their City is a safe place to live, learn, work, worship and play and will remain so for future generations.

When it comes to the buildings within our City, this confidence is achieved through the devotion of vigilant guardians—building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, laborers and others in the construction industry—who work year-round to ensure the safe construction and maintenance of our buildings.

Our confidence is also achieved by our City Council's adoption of the International Codes, the most widely adopted building safety, energy and fire prevention codes in the nation. These modern building codes also include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes and earthquakes.

This confidence in the safety of our buildings warrants recognition of the critical role of our City's guardians of public safety—the members of our **Department of Licenses and Inspections**—who work to assure us of safe, efficient and livable buildings through the enforcement of those codes.

**“Building Safety Month: Commemorating a 30-year Legacy of Leadership,”** is the theme for this year's national celebration of Building Safety Month, where all Americans are asked to recognize the importance of building safety; green and sustainable construction; and new technologies in the construction industry. Building Safety Month 2010 recognizes that lives have been saved due to the adoption, implementation and enforcement of safety codes by our City.

Therefore

I, **Michael A. Nutter, Mayor of the City of Philadelphia**, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2010 as

## BUILDING SAFETY MONTH

in Philadelphia. I encourage all of our citizens to do their part to ensure that the places where they live, learn, work, worship and play stay safe and sustainable.