

city of plano

Proclamation

BUILDING SAFETY WEEK - 2009

WHEREAS, through our continuing efforts to address critical safety issues in the construction environment that affect our citizens both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster, we are confident that our structures are safe and sound; and

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

WHEREAS, these dedicated members of the International Code Council develop and implement the highest-quality codes to protect Americans in the buildings where we live, learn, work and play; and

WHEREAS, the International Codes, the most widely adopted building safety and fire prevention codes in the nation, are used by most U.S. cities, counties and states and include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Week reminds the public about the critical role of our communities' largely unknown guardians of public safety - our local code and fire officials - who help prevent countless deaths and injuries from fires and accidents; and

WHEREAS, the theme, "Building Safety: Where You Live, Work and Play," encourages all Americans to raise awareness of the importance of building safety and the new technologies in the construction industry;

NOW, THEREFORE I, PAT EVANS, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PLANO, do hereby proclaim **May 3 - 9, 2009** as "**Building Safety Week**" and I do thereby encourage all citizens to join me and the City Council in saluting the constant vigilance of our local building, code, and fire personnel to ensure the safety of the places where we live, learn, work, and play. We gladly support the essential service provided to all of us and ask everyone to consider projects to improve building safety at home and in the community.



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