

State of Maine



WHEREAS, building safety officials address critical safety issues in the built environment that affect our citizens, regardless of age or occupation, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster; 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; these modern building safety codes also include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wildland fires and earthquakes; and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Month, presented by the International Code Council and International Code Council Foundation, reminds the public about the critical role of our communities' largely unknown guardians of public safety our local code officials who help prevent countless deaths and injuries from fires and accidents; and

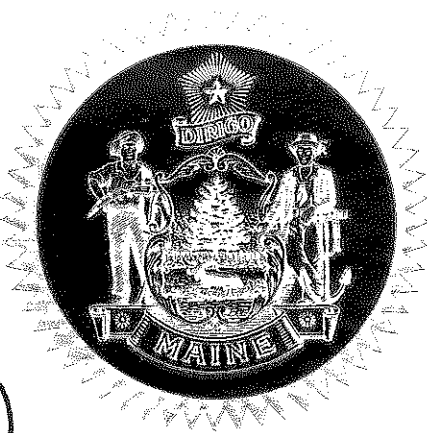
WHEREAS, the theme, "Commemorating a 30 year Legacy of Leadership" encourages all Americans to raise awareness of the importance of building safety; disaster-resistant, energy efficient, green and sustainable building; pool, spa and hot tub safety; and new technologies in this construction industry; it presents appropriate steps everyone can take to ensure that the places where we live, learn, work and play are safe, and that countless lives have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes by local and state agencies; and

WHEREAS, this year as we observe Building Safety Month, we ask everyone to consider projects to improve building safety at home and in the community, and to acknowledge the essential service provided to all of us by local and state building departments and federal agencies in protecting lives and property,

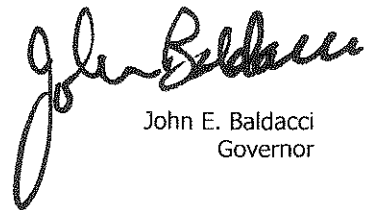
NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN E. BALDACCI, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the week of May 2010 as

## **BUILDING SAFETY MONTH**

throughout the State of Maine, and urge all citizens to recognize this observance by commencing efforts to improve building safety.



In testimony whereof, I have caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereunto affixed GIVEN under my hand at Augusta this sixth day of April in the Year of our Lord Two Thousand and Ten.



John E. Baldacci  
Governor



Matthew Dunlap  
Secretary of State  
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