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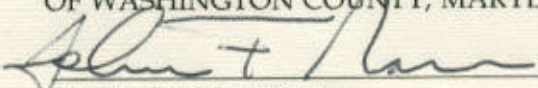
Building Safety Month - May 2010

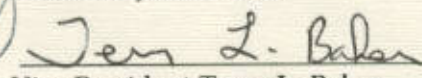
- WHEREAS,** our county's continuing efforts to address the critical issues of safety, energy efficiency and sustainability in the built environment that affect our citizens, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster, give us confidence that our structures through the devotion of vigilant guardians - building safety and fire prevention officials, architects and builders - who work year-round to ensure the safe construction of buildings; and
- WHEREAS,** these guardians - dedicated members of the International Code Council and the Maryland Building Officials Association - develop and implement the highest-quality codes to protect Americans in the buildings where we live, learn, work and play; and
- WHEREAS,** *Building Safety Month* is sponsored by the International Code Council and International Code Council Foundation, to remind the public about the critical role of our communities' largely unknown guardians of public safety - our local code officials - who assure us of safe, efficient and livable buildings and
- WHEREAS,** *Building Safety Month: "Commemorating a 30-year Legacy of Leadership"*, the theme for *Building Safety Month 2010*, encourages all Americans to raise awareness of the importance of building safety; green and sustainable building; pool, spa and hot tub safety; and new technologies in the construction industry. *Building Safety Month 2010*, encourages appropriate steps everyone can take to ensure that the places where we live, learn, work, worship and play are safe and sustainable, and recognizes that countless lives have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes by local and state agencies; and
- WHEREAS,** in observance of *Building Safety Month*, Americans are asked to consider projects to improve building safety and sustainability 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; and
- NOW THEREFORE,** we, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, do hereby proclaim May 2010, as *Building Safety Month* in Washington County and do encourage our citizens to join in this observance.

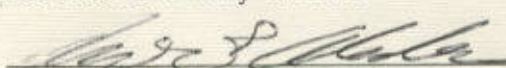
Awarded this 11th day of May, 2010.

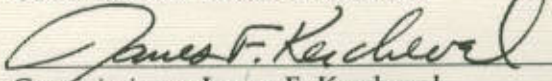

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