



Proclamation



BUILDING SAFETY MONTH - MAY 2019

WHEREAS, City of Monroe is committed to recognizing that our growth and strength depends on the safety and economic value of the homes, buildings, and infrastructure that serve our citizens, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster; and

WHEREAS, our confidence in the structural integrity of these buildings that make up our community is achieved through the devotion of vigilant guardians - building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, design professionals, laborers, plumbers, and others in the construction industry - who work year-round to ensure the safe construction of buildings; and

WHEREAS, these guardians are dedicated members of the International Code Council, a U.S. based organization, that brings together local, state, and federal officials that are experts in the built environment to create and implement the highest-quality codes to protect us in the buildings where we live, learn, work, and play; and

WHEREAS, these modern building codes include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wildland fires, floods, and earthquakes; and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Month is sponsored by the International Code Council to remind the public about the critical role of our communities' largely unknown protectors of public safety - our local code officials - who assure us of safe, efficient, and livable buildings that are essential to America's prosperity; and

WHEREAS, "No Code. No Confidence" is the theme for Building Safety Month 2019, and encourages all Americans to raise awareness of the importance of safe and resilient construction, fire prevention, disaster mitigation, and new technologies in the construction industry; and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Month 2019 encourages appropriate steps everyone can take to ensure the safety of our built environment and recognizes that the implementation of safety codes by local and state agencies has saved lives and protected homes and businesses.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Geoffrey Thomas, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2019, as

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and encourage our citizens to join with their communities in participation in Building Safety Month activities.

Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor