

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, building and construction codes improve the safety and security of our citizens and save countless lives by providing reasonable safeguards to protect us from dangerous situations and by addressing other issues such as energy efficiency, water conservation, and resilience; and

WHEREAS, building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, laborers, and others in the construction industry work year-round to address building safety concerns, including safeguards to minimize the impact from natural disasters such as ice and snowstorms, hurricanes, tornadoes, wildland fires, floods, and earthquakes, playing a vital role in ensuring the safety of our critical infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the annual observance of Building Safety Month calls attention to the life safety services provided by local and state building departments, fire prevention bureaus, and federal agencies; and

WHEREAS, with the theme "Building Codes: Driving Growth through Innovation, Resilience and Safety," the 2016 observance of Building Safety Month encourages all Americans to raise awareness of the importance of safe and resilient buildings to the continued well-being and security of our residents and communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 2016 as

BUILDING SAFETY MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to improve building safety at home and in the community and to recognize the important role building and fire prevention officials play in public safety.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Nikki R. Haley".

NIKKI R. HALEY
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA