

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the State of Hawai'i recognizes that our growth and strength depends on the safety and economic value of the homes, buildings and infrastructure in our communities; and

WHEREAS, the International Code Council (ICC) is a U.S. organization that brings together local, state, and federal experts to create and implement the highest quality codes in construction to protect us in the buildings where we live, learn, work, and worship; and

WHEREAS, members of the ICC include safety personnel, fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, design professionals, laborers, and the construction industry; and

WHEREAS, local code officials play a critical role in implementing safety codes and ensuring efficient and livable buildings for the public; and

WHEREAS, building codes establish minimum requirements necessary to reduce property losses and provide protection from fire, structural collapse and general deterioration; and

WHEREAS, our state and nation benefit economically and technologically from the international codes, which include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, fires, floods, and earthquake; and

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

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, JOSHUA B. GREEN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim May 2019 as

"BUILDING SAFETY MONTH"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the importance of building safety, and encourage our citizens to participate in their community's Building Safety Month activities.

Done at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this second day of May 2019.

IOSHUA'B, GREEN

Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai'i

DAVID Y. IGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i