

**STATE OF ARKANSAS**  
**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**

**PROCLAMATION**

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Building-safety and fire-prevention officials provide crucial guidance and attention to the safe construction of buildings; and

WHEREAS: Their work ensures the comfort and peace-of-mind of Americans in the places they live, work, play, and learn, and in times of disaster; and

WHEREAS: The dedicated members of the International Code Council®, including building-safety and fire-prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, and others in the construction industry, develop and enforce codes to safeguard Americans in buildings; and

WHEREAS: The International Codes®, used by most U. S. cities, counties, and states, include standards to protect the public from natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wild fires, and earthquakes; and

WHEREAS: Building Safety Week, sponsored by the International Code Council Foundation®, is an excellent opportunity to educate the public about the critical role of our federal, state, and local building officials, who work tirelessly to ensure our safety; and

WHEREAS: This year's theme, "Building Safety: Where You Live, Work and Play," encourages all Americans to become more mindful of the importance of building safety; green and sustainable building; pool, spa, and hot-tub safety; and new technologies in the construction industry;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MIKE BEEBE, Governor of the State of Arkansas, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arkansas, do hereby proclaim May 5 through 11, 2008, as

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across the State of Arkansas, and I encourage my fellow citizens to participate in projects to improve building safety at home and in the community and to recognize the vital roles of our local building-safety and fire-prevention officials in public safety every day and in times of disaster.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 1st day of April, in the year of our Lord 2008.



Handwritten signature of Mike Beebe.

MIKE BEEBE, GOVERNOR

Handwritten signature of Charlie Daniels.

CHARLIE DANIELS, SECRETARY OF STATE