

*State of Maine*



WHEREAS, building safety officials address critical safety issues in the built environment that affect our citizens, regardless of age or occupation, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster; and

WHEREAS, building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders and others in the construction industry, work year-round to ensure the safe construction of buildings; and

WHEREAS, these dedicated members of the International Code Council develop and implement the highest-quality codes to protect Americans in the buildings where we live, learn, work and play; and

WHEREAS, the International Codes, which include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wildland fires and earthquakes, are used by most U.S. cities, counties and states; and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Week, sponsored by the International Code Council, is an opportunity to educate the public and increase public awareness of the role building safety and fire prevention officials, local and state building departments, and federal agencies play to protect the public; and

WHEREAS, the theme of Building Safety Week is "Building Safety: Where You Live, Work and Play," presents appropriate steps everyone can take to ensure that the places where we live, learn, work and play are safe, and that countless lives have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes by local and state agencies,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN E. BALDACCII, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the week of May 5 – 11, 2008 as

## **BUILDING SAFETY WEEK**

throughout the State of Maine, and urge all citizens to recognize this observance by commencing efforts to improve building safety.

In testimony whereof, I have caused  
the Great Seal of the State to be  
hereunto affixed GIVEN under my  
hand at Augusta this eleventh  
day of April in the Year of our  
Lord Two Thousand and Eight.



*John E. Baldacci*  
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Governor

*Matthew Dunlap*  
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Secretary of State  
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