

Executive Department State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, the State of Idaho 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 is achieved through the devotion of vigilant guardians – building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, design professionals, laborers 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 Idaho Association of Building Officials, the Idaho Division of Building Safety, and the International Code Council, which bring together local, state and federal officials who are experts in the building environment to create and implement the highest-quality codes to protect us in the buildings where we live, learn, work, worship, and play; and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Month is sponsored by the Idaho Association of Building Officials, the Idaho Division of Building Safety, and the International Code Council to remind the public about the critical role of our communities' largely unknown guardians of public safety – our local code officials – who assure us of safe, efficient and livable buildings that are essential to keeping America great; and

WHEREAS, "Building Codes Save Lives" – the theme for Building Safety Month 2018 – encourages all Idahoans 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 2018 encourages appropriate steps everyone can take to ensure that the places where we live, learn, work, worship, and play are safe; and recognizes that countless lives have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes by local and state agencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim May 2018 to be

IDAHO BUILDING SAFETY MONTH

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 1st day of May, in the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-second and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-eighth.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER GOVERNOR

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