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Building Safety Month 2021: "Prevent, Prepare, Protect. Building Codes Save"

Building Safety Month 2021 celebrates the industry's resilience throughout the pandemic and looks to continue creating safe and sustainable buildings and communities

Washington, D.C. – The International Code Council announced today the theme for its 41st annual Building Safety Month. Held each year in May, the 2021 event will emphasize "Prevent, Prepare, Protect. Building Codes Save." With attendees' safety top of mind, all Building Safety Month events will be held virtually this year. The educational and interactive campaign is meant to raise awareness about the importance of building codes in ensuring safety in the spaces in which we live, work and learn.

Each year, the Code Council, its 64,000 members, and professionals across the building safety landscape highlight the importance of building safety though proclamations, informational events, legislative briefings, and more.

The weekly themes for Building Safety Month are:

- Week One (May 1-9): Energy & Innovation
- Week Two (May 10-16): Training the Next Generation
- Week Three (May 17-23): Water Safety
- Week Four (May 24-31): Disaster Preparedness

"With society placing greater emphasis on safety within both public and private buildings, Building Safety Month is more relevant than ever in educating the public about the increasingly important role modern building codes play in keeping our homes and communities strong and resilient," said Code Council Chief Executive Officer Dominic Sims, CBO.

More information about Building Safety Month, including details regarding virtual events, can be found at: www.buildingsafetymonth.org.

To view and download this year's campaign poster, click <u>here</u>, and follow along on social media using the hashtag #BuildingSafety365. To download resized posters for your website and social media platforms, click <u>here</u>.

About the International Code Council

The <u>International Code Council</u> is a nonprofit association that provides a wide range of building safety solutions including product evaluation, accreditation, certification, codification and training. It develops model codes and standards used worldwide to construct safe, sustainable, affordable and resilient structures.