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## Building Safety Month concludes with an emphasis on creating a safe and abundant water supply

The International Code Council underscores the importance of building codes that conserve and protect our water.

**Washington, D.C.** –The 42<sup>nd</sup> annual Building Safety Month concludes with a call for action to help protect and conserve one of our planet's most precious resources: water. The Code Council is dedicated to addressing solutions in water conservation and efficiency through modern building codes and standards that lead to resilient communities, safe plumbing, efficient technologies and a well-trained, professional workforce of code officials and plumbing professionals.

"There are several steps you can take to protect the water you use every day and knowing where your water comes from is a good start," said Code Council Chief Executive Officer Dominic Sims, CBO. "From there, we can all take proper action to make sure we not only prevent contamination of our drinking water but also find ways to conserve and reuse it."

The Code Council is offering two free educational webinars this week. The first webinar, "Backflow Basics: Repair, Testing and Maintenance" will take place on May 24 from 2—3:30 pm ET. The event will feature a roundtable discussion on the repair, testing, maintenance and inspections methods and assemblies used to protect potable water.

The second webinar, "Pool Owner Safety 101" will take place on May 25 from 2—3 pm ET. This webinar, co-sponsored by the Pool & Hot Tub Alliance and the International Code Council, will educate new pool owners or those considering a swimming pool on keeping their pools both safe and enjoyable for many years to come.

Register for these events and view recordings of previous Building Safety Month events here.

This year's Building Safety Month Foundational Sponsor is the <u>American Gas Association</u>, and the sponsor of week four is <u>LIUNA</u>. To see the full list of sponsors, click <u>here</u>.

"This year, the American Gas Association is once again proud to be a sponsor of the International Code Council's Building Safety Month", said Jim Ranfone, Manager Director of the American Gas Association. "We continue to strongly support the Code Council's open code development process that develops and updates the series of model codes that, when adopted in states and jurisdictions, help to ensure the built environment will be safe, efficient, and resilient." More information about Building Safety Month, including details regarding virtual events and downloadable resources, can be found at <u>www.buildingsafetymonth.org</u>.

To participate in Building Safety Month:

- <u>View</u> this year's Building Safety Month campaign video.
- <u>Submit a proclamation</u> from your jurisdiction or organization.
- <u>Check out our campaign promotion guides</u>, including how to host a webinar and run a social media campaign.
- <u>Download campaign images</u>, including the campaign poster, web banners, social media graphics and video call backgrounds.
- Join the conversation on social media using the hashtag #BuildingSafety365.

## About the International Code Council

The International Code Council is the leading global source of model codes and standards and building safety solutions. Code Council codes, standards and solutions are used to ensure safe, affordable and sustainable communities and buildings worldwide.