WHEREAS, Iowa is committed to growth and strength dependent on the safety and economic value of homes, buildings and infrastructure that serve us in everyday life and in times of natural disaster; and

WHEREAS, our confidence in the structural integrity of buildings is achieved through the devotion of vigilant guardians—Iowa’s building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, design professionals, laborers, plumbers and others in the construction industry; and

WHEREAS, these guardians are dedicated members of the International Code Council, a U.S. based organization, that brings together local, state and federal officials to create and implement the highest-quality codes to protect us where we live, learn, work, worship and play; and

WHEREAS, these modern building codes include safeguards to protect us from natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wildland fires, floods and earthquake; which, according to a FEMA-commissioned study provide $11 in future mitigation benefits for every dollar invested; and

WHEREAS, “No Code. No Confidence.” the theme for Building Safety Month 2019, encourages all Americans to raise awareness of the importance of safe and resilient construction; fire prevention; disaster mitigation, and new technologies in the construction industry; and

WHEREAS, each year, in observance of Building Safety Month, Americans are asked to consider the commitment to improve building safety and economic investment at home and in the community:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kim Reynolds, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2019 as

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in Iowa and encourage our citizens to join with their communities in participation in Building Safety Month activities.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE HERE- UNTO SUBSCRIBED MY NAME AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF IOWA TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT DES MOINES THIS 16 DAY OF APRIL IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND NINETEEN.

KIM REYNOLDS
GOVERNOR OF IOWA

ATTEST:

PAUL PATE
SECRETARY OF STATE