WHEREAS, through our continuing efforts to address critical safety issues in the building environment affecting our citizens, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster, we are confident that our structures are safe and sound; 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, the most widely adopted building safety and fire prevention codes in the nation, are used by many U.S. cities, counties, and states; these modern building safety codes also include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wild land fires, and earthquakes; and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Month reminds the public about the critical role of our communities' largely unknown guardians of public safety: our local code officials. These officials help prevent countless deaths and injuries from fires and accidents; and

WHEREAS, the 2019 theme, "No Code. No Confidence.,” seeks to raise awareness about the importance of modern building codes and strong code enforcement; and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Month presents appropriate steps everyone can take to ensure that the places where we live, learn, work, and play are safe. Countless lives have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes by local and state agencies; and

WHEREAS, this year, as we commemorate Building Safety Month, we most appropriately acknowledge the essential service provided to all of us by local and state building departments and federal agencies in protecting lives and property; now, therefore,

I, Glen Casada, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the One Hundred Eleventh General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, at the request of and in conjunction with Representative Mary Littleton, do hereby proclaim that we join with our Tennessee building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, and others in the construction industry as they commemorate May 2019 as Building Safety Month in Tennessee.

Proclaimed in Nashville, Tennessee, on this the 1st day of March 2019.

SIGNED

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARY LITTLETON, REPRESENTATIVE
78TH HOUSE DISTRICT