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2023 Building Safety Month Celebration Begins

Week one highlights how building safety starts at home and impacts everyday lives

Washington, D.C. – Today, the International Code Council kicks off the 43rd annual Building Safety Month. The campaign raises awareness about the importance of building codes and the role that building safety professionals play in keeping our communities safe. Building Safety Month includes five weekly themes, each addressing how building safety impacts us on a personal, local, and global level.

<u>Week One</u>: Building Safety Starts at Home, provides tips on fire prevention, backyard and pool safety, and best practices for saving energy.

"Building Safety Month is a great opportunity for us to connect with a wider audience, and this week we're reaching homeowners and renters," said President of the Code Council Board of Directors Michael Wich, CBO. We want them to know that there are simple things they can do right now to ensure safety right in their own backyards. We hope to reach as many people as we can with that message."

2023 Building Safety Month sponsors include the <u>American Gas Association</u>, <u>Society of Fire Protection Engineers</u>, <u>National Multifamily Housing Council</u>, and more. To learn more about sponsorship opportunities, click <u>here</u>.

More information about Building Safety Month, including downloadable resources to help support Building Safety Month can be found at www.buildingsafetymonth.org.

Communities have begun to issue proclamations declaring May 2023 as Building Safety Month. View the proclamations or submit one here.

To participate in Building Safety Month:

- Join us on social media and help spread the word. #BuildingSafety365
- Download the <u>promotional toolkit</u> to promote Building Safety Month.
- Discover <u>resources</u> for planning Building Safety Month events.

About the International Code Council

The <u>International Code Council</u> 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.