

## *PROCLAMATION*

WHEREAS, Mason City is committed to recognizing that our growth and strength depends on the safety and essential role our homes, buildings and infrastructure play, both in everyday life and when disasters strike, and

WHEREAS, our confidence in the resilience of these buildings that make up our community is achieved through the devotion of vigilant guardians-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 nonprofit that brings together local, state, territorial, tribal and federal officials who create and implement the highest-quality codes and standards to protect us, and

WHEREAS, these modern building codes and standards include safeguards to protect the public from hazards such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wildland fires, floods and earthquakes, and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Month reminds us of the protectors of public safety-our code officials-who assure us of safe, sustainable and affordable buildings are essential to our property, and

WHEREAS, "Game On!" the theme for Building Safety Month 2025, encourages us all to get involved and raise awareness about building safety on a personal, local and global scale.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Schickel, Mayor of Mason City, Iowa, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2025 as

**"Building Safety Month"**

Mayor Bill Schickel

