

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

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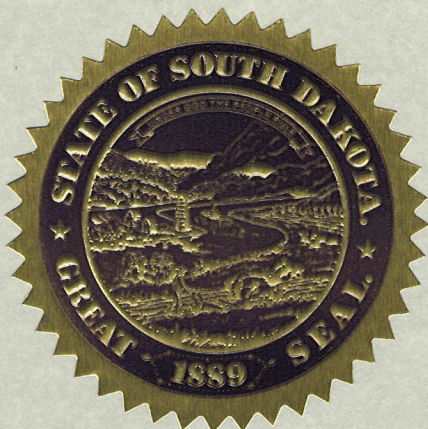
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*Now, Therefore, I, Larry Rhoden*, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 2025, as

## *BUILDING SAFETY MONTH*

in South Dakota.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-Fourth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Five.

*Larry Rhoden*

Larry Rhoden, Governor

Attest:

*Monae L. Johnson*

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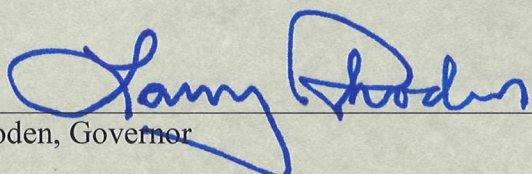
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