

Proclamation

Building Safety Month — May 2025

WHEREAS, our Town of Garner is committed to recognizing that our growth and strength depend on the safety and essential roles our homes, buildings, and infrastructure play in everyday life and during disasters; and

WHEREAS, our confidence in the resilience of these buildings that make up our community is achieved through the devotion of our Inspections, Planning and Engineering Departments along with architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, design professionals, laborers, and others in the construction industry—who work year-round to ensure the safe design and construction of buildings; and

WHEREAS, many of these guardians are dedicated members of the International Code Council, a nonprofit that brings together local, state, territorial, tribal and federal officials who are experts in the built environment to create and implement the highest-quality codes and standards to protect us in the buildings where we live, learn, work and play; 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, the International Code Council sponsors Building Safety Month to remind the public about the critical role of our communities' largely unknown protectors of public safety — our Development Services Departments' Staff — who assure us of safe, sustainable, and affordable buildings that are essential to our prosperity; 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; and,

WHEREAS, each year, in observance of Building Safety Month, people all over the world are asked to consider the commitment to improving building safety, resilience, and economic investment at home and in the community and to acknowledge the essential service provided to all of us by local, state, tribal, territorial, and federal building safety and fire prevention departments in protecting lives and property.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Buddy Gupton, Mayor of the Town of Garner, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2025 as Building Safety Month. Accordingly, I encourage our citizens to join us as we participate in Building Safety Month activities.

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In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the Town of Garner, North Carolina to be affixed this the 6th day of April May 2025.

Mayor Buddy Gupton