



BUILT TO LAST

2026

Office of the Mayor



Proclamation

Whereas: *it is one of the privileges of the Mayor to recognize*

and honor significant occasions in our community; and

WHEREAS: the City of Grove City recognizes that our community's growth and strength depend on the safety, performance, and resilience of our homes, buildings and infrastructure - both in everyday life and when disasters strike; and

Whereas building safety is a shared community responsibility—supported by informed residents, property owners, and local businesses; the skilled work of architects, engineers, contractors, and tradespeople; and the City of Grove City Department of Public Safety, Division of Building and Zoning, which administers and enforces applicable codes through plan review, permitting, and inspections to support safe construction and maintenance practices; and

Whereas modern building codes and standards reduce risk and help protect people and property from hazards that can impact our region—such as severe storms, tornadoes, flooding, extreme heat and cold, and fire—by improving structural integrity, fire protection, and emergency egress; and

Whereas Building Safety Month is sponsored by the International Code Council, a nonprofit organization that works with local, state, territorial, tribal, and federal partners to promote building safety through the development and use of model codes and standards; and

Whereas “Built to Last,” the theme for Building Safety Month 2026, encourages everyone to get involved and raise awareness of building safety and resilience at home, in our community, and beyond; and

Whereas Building Safety Month provides an opportunity for the City of Grove City to educate and engage the public in practical steps that improve building safety and resilience, encourage code-compliant construction and maintenance, and strengthen our community's preparedness for emergencies and disasters.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2026, as

“BUILDING SAFETY MONTH”

in the City of Grove City and encourage all residents, businesses, and organizations to observe Building Safety Month and to participate in activities that promote safe and resilient buildings.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of Grove City, Ohio to be affixed this 17th day of April in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Six.

Richard L. “Ike” Stage, Mayor