



STATE OF TEXAS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Texas has emerged as a national leader in new construction, driven by one of the strongest economies in the country and a top ranking for business growth. This momentum has increased demand for both residential and commercial development. Our welcoming culture, expanding workforce, and pro-business environment continue to fuel this growth, making it essential to prioritize safety in every home, workplace, school, and structure across our state.

Texans have long been defined by resilience, and it is vital that our buildings reflect that same strength. Leaders in both the public and private sectors have established comprehensive building standards that emphasize safety, durability, and sustainability.

Building safety requires an approach that includes sound structural design, effective security measures, fire prevention, and emergency preparedness. Ongoing maintenance, routine inspections, and a strong culture of safety are equally important. By embracing innovation in construction practices and adhering to rigorous building codes, we can ensure that structures across Texas are built to withstand potential hazards and stand the test of time.

A strong commitment to safety fosters healthier, more secure communities by reducing the risk of accidents, injuries, and loss of life. I commend the collaborative efforts of code enforcement officials, architects, engineers, and skilled tradespeople who work tirelessly to uphold these standards. Their dedication enhances the quality of life for Texans and supports the continued growth of safe, sustainable communities throughout the Lone Star State.

Each May, Building Safety Month highlights the importance of code enforcement and recognizes the professionals who dedicate themselves to this critical field. It also encourages others to explore careers in construction and safety. Through their expertise, diligence, and commitment to service, building professionals play a vital role in shaping a stronger, safer Texas for generations to come.

At this time, I encourage all Texans to recognize the essential work of public safety experts, spread awareness about building safety, and reflect upon this year's theme: "Built to Last."

Therefore, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim May 2026 to be

Building Safety Month



in Texas and urge all Texans to observe the occasion with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto affixed my signature this the 9th day of April, 2026.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Greg Abbott".

Governor of Texas