



## PROCLAMATION DECLARING MAY 2026 AS BUILDING SAFETY MONTH

**WHEREAS**, the City of Clinton, Iowa recognizes that the strength, growth, and long-term success of our community are directly tied to the safety and reliability of our homes, buildings, and infrastructure—both in everyday life and when disasters occur; and

**WHEREAS**, that confidence in our built environment is achieved through the ongoing work of building safety and fire prevention officials, along with architects, engineers, design professionals, builders, tradespeople, and others in the construction industry who are committed to protecting public health, safety, and welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, these professionals contribute through the International Code Council (ICC), the organization that develops and maintains the codes and standards that guide safe construction and protect the places where we live, learn, work, and gather; and

**WHEREAS**, these modern building codes play a critical role in safeguarding the public from hazards such as severe weather, fire, flooding, and other natural events; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Clinton Fire Department and Building Safety Division work in partnership with community stakeholders to promote safe, sustainable development through effective code administration, education, and enforcement, while delivering consistent, fair, and professional service; and

**WHEREAS**, this work is not only about enforcing codes, but about building trust—serving as a resource to the community, helping identify and reduce risk, and working with customers to find practical solutions that bring projects into compliance; and

**WHEREAS**, Building Safety Month, led by the International Code Council, highlights the important—often unseen—work of code officials and reinforces the value of safe, resilient, and well-constructed buildings; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2026 theme, “Built to Last,” reflects the importance of strong partnerships, informed decision-making, and a shared commitment to building safety at the local level and beyond;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Scott Maddasion, Mayor of the City of Clinton, Iowa, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2026 as Building Safety Month. Accordingly, I encourage all residents and visitors to recognize the role of building safety in our community and to join us in observing the following weekly themes:

Week 1 – Safe Homes, Strong Communities

Week 2 – Voices of the Built Environment

Week 3 – Prepared to Protect

Week 4 – Communities Without Limits

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Clinton to be affixed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026.



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Scott Maddasion, Mayor