

# Proclamation

**BE IT PROCLAIMED:**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Xenia is committed to recognizing that our growth and strength depends on the safety and essential role our homes, buildings, and infrastructure play, both in everyday life and when disasters strike; and

**WHEREAS**, our confidence in the resilience of these buildings that make up our community is achieved through the devotion of vigilant guardians – building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, design professionals, laborers, plumbers, and others in the construction industry – who work year-round to ensure the safe construction of buildings; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Xenia works closely with the National Inspection Corporation, a dedicated team with expertise on codes based on the International Code Council, a nonprofit group that brings together local, state, territorial, tribal, and federal officials to implement the highest quality codes and standards that 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**, Building Safety Month is sponsored by the International Code Council to remind the public about the critical role of our community's largely unknown protectors of public safety – our code officials – who assure us of safe, sustainable, and affordable buildings that are essential to our prosperity; and

**WHEREAS**, "Built to Last," the theme for Building Safety Month 2026, 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 improve 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 to protect lives and property.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Ethan K. D. Reynolds, Mayor of the City of Xenia, Ohio, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2026 as

## "Building Safety Month"

in the City of Xenia and encourage all citizens to join us as we acknowledge the positive impact building safety and fire prevention officials make in our lives and community every day.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Xenia, Ohio, to be affixed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Six.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ethan K. D. Reynolds".

Ethan K. D. Reynolds  
Honorable Mayor of Xenia, Ohio

