

The State of New Hampshire
By Her Excellency
Kelly A. Ayotte, Governor

A Proclamation

In the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-Six

BUILDING SAFETY MONTH
MAY 2026

WHEREAS, New Hampshire is committed to recognizing that our growth and strength depends on modern building codes and standards which include safeguards to protect public safety in homes, buildings and infrastructure; and,

WHEREAS, our confidence in the resilience of the buildings that make up our communities is achieved through the collaboration of building and fire code officials, builders, tradespeople, design professionals, and others in the construction industry—who work year-round to ensure the safe construction of buildings; and,

WHEREAS, the members of the International Code Council, a nonprofit that brings together local, state, territorial, tribal and federal officials create and implement the highest-quality codes and standards to protect us in the buildings where we live, learn, work and play; and,

WHEREAS, Building Safety Month is sponsored by the International Code Council to remind the public about the critical role of our communities' 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, 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, in protecting lives and property;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KELLY AYOTTE, GOVERNOR of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby proclaim **MAY 2026** as **BUILDING SAFETY MONTH**, a grassroots initiative of building and fire service professionals across the nation to raise awareness of the importance of reducing risks and an opportunity to make communities safer.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of New Hampshire to be affixed this 1st day of May, 2026.

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