

Proclamation

May 2017 Building Safety Month

Whereas, through Rowan County's continuing efforts to address critical safety issues in the building environment affecting our citizens, regardless of age or occupation, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster, we are confident that our structures are safe and sound; and

Whereas, International Codes, the most widely adopted building safety and fire prevention codes in the nation are used by most US cities, counties and states; and

Whereas, these modern building safety codes also include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wild land fires and earthquakes; and

Whereas, building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders and others in the construction industry work year-round to ensure the safe construction of buildings; and

Whereas, countless lives have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes by local and state agencies; and

Whereas, Building Safety Month, sponsored by the International Code Council, reminds the public about the critical role of our community of public safety by our local code officials who assure us of safe, efficient and livable buildings; and

Whereas, "Building Safety Month: Code Officials Keep You Safe", the theme for Building Safety Month 2017, encourages all Americans to raise awareness of the importance of building safety; green and resilient building; pool, spa and hot tub safety; backyard safety; and new technologies in the construction industry; and

Whereas, each year, in observance of Building Safety Month, Americans are asked to consider projects to improve building safety and sustainability at home and in the community, and to acknowledge the essential service provided to all of us by local and state building departments and federal agencies in protecting lives and property.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Walter Blevins, Rowan County Judge Executive of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim the month of May, 2017, as Building Safety Month. Accordingly, I encourage our citizens to join me in this worthy observance.



Walter Blevins, Rowan County Judge Executive