

A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 8 – May 14, 2005 AS BUILDING SAFETY WEEK IN
WASHTENAW COUNTY

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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WHEREAS, through our continuing attention to building safety, we enjoy the comfort and peace of mind of structures that are safe and sound; and

WHEREAS, building safety and fire prevention officials are at work year round to guide the safe construction of building and prevention efforts; and

WHEREAS, the dedicated members of the International Code Council, including building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, and others in the construction industry, develop and enforce codes to safeguard Americans in the buildings where we live, work, play and learn; and

WHEREAS, the International Codes, the most widely adopted building safety and fire preventions codes in the nation, are used by most U.S. cities, counties and states; and

WHEREAS, these modern, building safety codes also include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters that can occur, such as snowstorms, hurricanes, tornadoes, wildland fires and earthquakes, and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Week is sponsored by the International Code Council Foundation to provide an opportunity to educate the public; and

WHEREAS, it is a perfect time to increase public awareness of the role building safety and fire prevention officials, local and state building departments, and federal agencies play in protecting lives and property; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme, "Making Homes, Schools, and Workplaces Safer Together," encourages all citizens to raise awareness of building safety, and to take appropriate steps to ensure that the places where we live, work, play and learn are safe; and

WHEREAS, countless lives have been saved because of the building safety codes adopted and enforced by local and state agencies; and

WHEREAS, in observance of Building Safety Week in Washtenaw County, the Board urges the citizens of Washtenaw County to consider projects to improve building safety at home and in the community; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims May 8 – 14, 2005 as Building Safety Week and recognizes the individuals in the building safety and fire prevention industry for the important role they play in public safety

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners urges the citizens of Washtenaw County to participate in projects to improve building safety in their homes and the community