State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, Vermont is committed to recognizing that our growth and strength

depends on the safety and economic value of the homes, buildings and infrastructure that serve our people, both in everyday life and in

times of natural disaster; and

WHEREAS, our confidence in the structural integrity of the buildings in 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, these guardians are dedicated members of the International Code

Council, a U.S. base organization, which brings together local, state and federal officials who are experts in the built environment to create and implement the highest-quality codes to protect us in the

buildings we live, learn, work, and play in; and

WHEREAS, our nation benefits economically and technologically from using the

International Codes® which are developed by a national, voluntary consensus codes and standards developing organization, and the government can avoid the high cost complexity of developing and maintaining these codes, which are the most widely adopted

building safety and fire prevention codes in the world; and

WHEREAS, these modern building codes include safeguards to protect the public

from natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, "No Code. No Confidence." the theme for Building Safety Month

2019, encourages all Americans to raise awareness of the importance of safe and resilient construction, fire prevention, disaster mitigation, and new technologies in the construction

industry.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim May 2019 as

BUILDING SAFETY MONTH

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 24th day of April, A.D. 2019.

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Philip B. Scott

Governor

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs