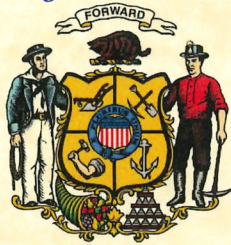


# STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

# Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; ensuring the health and safety of all Wisconsinites, regardless of race, gender, income, or ZIP code, is a priority for our state, and we recognize that our growth and strength as a state depends on the safety and economic value of the homes, buildings, and infrastructure that serve our residents; and

*WHEREAS*; Wisconsin has long been a leader in designing, constructing, and maintaining safe buildings where all people can live, learn, work, play, heal, worship, and visit; and

*WHEREAS*; created and implemented by the International Code Council, the International Codes are the most widely adopted building safety, energy, and fire prevention codes nationwide, and include important safeguards to protect folks from natural disasters, such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wildfires, floods, and earthquakes; and

*WHEREAS*; we appreciate the contributions of the dedicated International Code Council members, including building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, design professionals, laborers, plumbers, and others in the construction industry, who work to ensure the safe construction of buildings and overall public safety; and

*WHEREAS*; on this occasion, we are reminded of the critical role of our communities' largely unsung protectors of public safety—our local code officials—who assure us of the safety, efficiency, and livability of buildings throughout our state; and

*WHEREAS*; the theme of this year's Building Safety Month, "Prevent, Prepare, Protect. Building Codes Save," encourages all Americans to raise awareness about the importance of safe and resilient construction, fire prevention, disaster mitigation, and new technologies in the construction industry; and

*WHEREAS*; this month, the state of Wisconsin reaffirms its commitment to addressing the critical issues of safety, energy efficiency, water conservation, water quality, and sustainability in buildings throughout our state, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster, and joins all Wisconsinites in acknowledging the essential inspection and enforcement services provided by city, village, town, county, tribal, and state officials that ensure our structures are safe and sound;

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim May 2021 as

## BUILDING SAFETY MONTH

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance  
to all our state's residents.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have  
hereunto set my hand and caused the  
Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin  
to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in  
the City of Madison this 7<sup>th</sup> day of  
April 2021.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony Evers".

TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Douglas La Follette".  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State