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Governor Proclaims May as Building Safety Month

MADISON – Governor Tony Evers has proclaimed May 2021, as Building Safety Month throughout Wisconsin. The Alliance for Regulatory Coordination applauds this action to raise awareness of the importance of building safety and to recognize the countless lives that have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes by state and municipal agencies in Wisconsin. Building Safety Month is sponsored each year by the International Code Council. This year’s theme is [“Prevent, Prepare, Protect. Building Codes Save”](#).

In his proclamation, the Governor recognizes “...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...”

The proclamation reminds us “...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...”

Wisconsin has traditionally been a national leader in building code implementation, according to Robert DuPont, Founder of the Alliance for Regulatory Coordination. In 1913 Wisconsin became the second state in the country, behind only the State of New York, to implement a state-wide building code for public buildings and places of employment.

The [Alliance for Regulatory Coordination](#) is a consortium of 23 business, professional, trade and advocacy organizations involved in building design, construction and regulatory services in Wisconsin. The Alliance seeks regulatory services provided in the most efficient manner possible to effectively promote the health, safety and welfare of Wisconsin citizens and visitors.

The [International Code Council](#) is dedicated to developing model codes and standards used in the design, build and compliance process to construct safe, sustainable, affordable and resilient structures. Most U.S. communities and many global markets choose the International Codes.