Proclamation

Building Safety Month – May 2026

WHEREAS, the City of Hastings is committed to recognizing that our growth and strength depends on the safety and essential role our homes, buildings, and infrastructure play, both in everyday life and when disasters strike, and;

WHEREAS, our confidence in the resilience of these buildings that make up 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 other 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 nonprofit that brings together local, state, territorial, tribal and federal officials who are experts in the built environment to create and implement the highest-quality codes to protect us in the buildings where we live, learn, work and play, and;

WHEREAS, these modern building codes include safeguards to protect the public from hazards such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wildland fires, floods and earthquakes, and;

WHEREAS, Building Safety Month is sponsored by the International Code Council to remind the public about the critical role of our communities' largely unknown protectors of public safety – our local officials – who assure us of safe, sustainable and affordable buildings that are essential to our prosperity, and;

WHEREAS, "Built to Last," the theme for Building Safety Month 2026, encourages promotion of modern building codes, resilient construction, and safety processionals, and;

WHEREAS, each year, in observance of Building Safety Month, people all over the world are asked to consider the commitment to improve building safety, resilience and economic investment at home and in the community, and to acknowledge the essential service provided to all of us by local, state, tribal, territorial, and federal building safety, fire prevention departments, in protecting lives and property.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mary D. Fasbender, Mayor of the City of Hastings, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2026 as Building Safety Month.

Mary D Fasbender

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