



STATE OF TENNESSEE  
**PROCLAMATION**

BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, and others in the construction industry work year-round to ensure the safe construction of buildings; and

**WHEREAS**, countless lives have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes by local and state agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, these modern building safety codes also include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wild land fires, and earthquakes; and

**WHEREAS**, Building Safety Month reminds the public about the critical role of our local code officials who help prevent deaths and injuries from fires and accidents; and

**WHEREAS**, as we observe Building Safety Month, we ask Tennesseans to consider projects to improve building safety at home and in the community, and to acknowledge the essential service provided to all of us by local and state building departments and federal agencies in protecting lives and property; and

**WHEREAS**, "Prevent, Prepare, Protect. Building Codes Save" is the theme for Building Safety Month 2024 and encourages all Tennesseans to raise awareness about the importance of safe and resilient construction, fire prevention, disaster mitigation, energy conservation, water safety, training the next generation, and new technologies in the construction industry; and

**WHEREAS**, Building Safety Month encourages appropriate steps everyone can take to ensure that the places where we live, learn, work, worship, and play are safe and sustainable, and recognizes that countless lives have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes by local and state agencies;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2024 as

*Building Safety Month*

in Tennessee and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed at Nashville on this eleventh day of April, 2024.

*Bill Lee*

Governor

*Lee Hargett*

Secretary of State