

May 5, 2008

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 3 THROUGH MAY 9
AS BUILDING SAFETY WEEK

WHEREAS, the County of Sonoma recognizes that building safety is essential to the health, safety and welfare of communities locally and throughout the country; and,

WHEREAS, Building Safety Week is sponsored by the International Code Council (ICC) in an ongoing effort to highlight the efforts of building safety and fire prevention officials who work year round to ensure the safe construction of buildings; and,

WHEREAS, through our continuing efforts to address critical safety issues in the built environment that affect our citizens, regardless of age or occupation, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster, we are confident that our structures are safe and sound; and,

WHEREAS, the County of Sonoma, through the Permit and Resource Management and Emergency Services Departments are helping to ensure the public's health, safety and general welfare by reviewing building construction plans, issuing permits and inspecting buildings before, during and after construction to ensure they comply with the most widely adopted building safety and fire prevention codes in the nation, to protect us in the buildings where we live, learn work and play; and,

WHEREAS, Building Safety Week, reminds the public about the critical role of our communities' largely unknown guardians of public safety—our local code officials—who help prevent countless deaths and injuries from fires and accidents; and,

WHEREAS, the theme, "Building Safety: Where You Live, Work and Play," encourages all Americans to raise awareness of the importance of building safety; disaster-resistant, energy efficient, green and sustainable building; as well as new technologies in the construction industry; and,

WHEREAS, this year, as we observe Building Safety Week, we ask everyone 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;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby proclaims May 3 through May 9, 2009, is Building Safety Week in the County of Sonoma.

DULY PASSED this 5th day of May, 2009.

SUPERVISORS VOTE:

Brown: Kerns: Zane: Carrillo: Kelley:

 Ayes: Noes: Absent: Abstain:

SO ORDERED.