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CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIALS WORKING GROUP

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Dear City Clerk,

During the month of May every year, the building industry celebrates Building Safety Month. This is a campaign developed by the International Code Council (ICC) and supported by the Large Municipalities of Chief Building Officials (LMCBO) and the Ontario Building Officials Association (OBOA).

The premise behind this recognition is to build awareness that the strength and growth of communities in municipalities across Ontario relies on the safety of our homes, buildings and infrastructure.

The vigilant guardians that work hard to maintain this safety includes building officials, fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespersons, design professionals and the entire construction industry. In our province, these guardians use one source to ensure this safety – the Ontario Building Code (OBC), noted as one of the best building codes in the world.

As we near the month of May, once again we are getting our campaign ready to remind the public about the critical role of our communities' largely unknown protectors of public safety. Please see our posters attached and feel free to share these with your colleagues.

To support this recognition and ensure that municipal residents are aware of these guardians of public safety and the important role they play in our everyday lives, we are seeking your support. The OBOA and LMCBO on behalf of the building industry, are asking municipalities in Ontario to proclaim May as Building Safety Month.

This proclamation would not only recognize the importance of the building industry and the hard-working guardians, but it would build awareness of the OBC and the safety of the infrastructure in municipalities across Ontario. We have also attached a sample proclamation that could be used to support this initiative.

Sincerely,

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