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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 50

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARMODY

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Recognizes May 2017 as Building Safety Month

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2	To recognize May 2017 as Building Safety Month, as sponsored by the International Code
3	Council, to raise awareness of the important role of building codes for the health,
4	safety, and welfare of the public.
5	WHEREAS, Louisiana is committed to recognizing that its growth and strength
6	depend on the safety and economic value of the homes, buildings, and infrastructure that
7	serve its citizens, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster; and
8	WHEREAS, our confidence in the structural integrity of the buildings that make up
9	our communities is achieved through the devotion of vigilant guardians, such as building
10	safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, design
11	professionals, laborers, and others in the construction industry, who work year-round to
12	ensure the safe construction of buildings; and
13	WHEREAS, these guardians are dedicated members of the International Code
14	Council, a U.S. based organization that brings together local, state, and federal officials, who
15	are experts in the built environment, to create and implement the highest quality codes to
16	ensure the safety of the buildings where we live, learn, work, worship, and play; and
17	WHEREAS, our state benefits, economically and technologically, from using the
18	International Codes, which are developed by a national, voluntary consensus organization,
19	and our government is able to avoid the high cost and complexity of developing and
20	maintaining its own codes; and

1	WHEREAS; modern building codes include safeguards to protect the public from
2	natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wildland fires, floods, and
3	earthquakes; and
4	WHEREAS, Building Safety Month is sponsored by the International Code Council
5	to remind the public about the critical role of the largely unknown guardians of public safety,
6	local code officials, who assure us of safe, efficient, and livable buildings; and
7	WHEREAS, "Code Officials - Partners in Community Safety and Economic
8	Growth", the theme for Building Safety Month 2017, encourages all Louisianians to become
9	aware of the importance of safe and resilient construction, fire prevention, disaster
10	mitigation, and new technologies in the construction industry; and
11	WHEREAS, Building Safety Month 2017 encourages appropriate steps that everyone
12	can take to ensure that the places where we live, learn, work, worship, and play are safe, and
13	recognizes that countless lives have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes
14	by local and state agencies; and
15	WHEREAS, each year, in observance of Building Safety Month, Louisianians are
16	asked to consider their commitment to improve building safety and to acknowledge the
17	essential services provided to all of us by local and state building departments and fire
18	prevention bureaus and federal agencies in protecting lives and property.
19	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
20	recognize May 2017 as Building Safety Month, as sponsored by the International Code
21	Council.
22	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the legislature does hereby encourage the
23	citizens of the state of Louisiana to join with their communities to participate in Building
24	Safety Month activities.

DIGEST

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