

A Florida Senator's Proclamation

By Senator Passidomo

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A Proclamation commending the efforts of the Building Officials Association of Florida to ensure that all Floridians are protected by building and fire codes and recognizing May 2017 as "Florida Building Safety Month" in Florida.

WHEREAS, this state's continuing efforts to address the critical issues of safety, energy efficiency, and sustainability in the built environment which affect all Floridians, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster, give the residents of this state confidence that their buildings' structures are safe and sound, and

WHEREAS, this confidence is achieved through the devotion of vigilant guardians—the building and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, laborers, and others in the construction industry—who work year-round to ensure the safe design and construction of buildings, and

WHEREAS, the dedicated members of the building and fire code community develop and implement the highest quality codes to protect Floridians in the buildings where we live, learn, work, worship, and play, and

WHEREAS, the International Codes, the most widely adopted building safety, energy, and fire prevention codes in the nation, are used by most cities, counties, and states, and these modern building codes, upon which the Florida Building Code is based, also include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters, such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wildfires, and earthquakes, and

WHEREAS, since its inception in 1953, the Building Officials Association of Florida has been dedicated to the building code enforcement profession, with the goals of fostering communication among all groups associated with the construction industry and working together to provide a safer and more sustainable built environment, and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Building Officials Association of Florida is to provide for the safety, health, and welfare of the residents of this state through the education, development, maintenance, and enforcement of the building codes, using unified strength and resources to attain a thriving business, community, and association environment, and

WHEREAS, the Building Officials Association of Florida is committed to offering outstanding training and educational opportunities in order to facilitate the uniform interpretation and application of the building codes statewide, and

WHEREAS, all Floridians are encouraged to take action to learn about the building codes and what homeowners can do to ensure that they live in safe, sound, and sustainable structures, NOW, THEREFORE,

I, Senator Kathleen Passidomo, of Florida Senate District 28, do hereby commend the efforts of the Building Officials Association of Florida to ensure that all Floridians are protected by building and fire codes and recognize May 2017 as "Florida Building Safety Month" in Florida.

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