



PROCLAMATION

La Habra Building Safety Week 2009

WHEREAS, through our continuing attention to building safety, we enjoy the comfort and peace of mind of structures that are safe and sound; and

WHEREAS, building safety and fire prevention officials are at work year-round to guide the safe construction of buildings; and

WHEREAS, building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, and others in the construction industry, work together to safeguard the citizens of our city in the buildings where we live, work, play and learn through enforcement of and compliance with building safety regulations; and

WHEREAS, the building safety and fire prevention codes enforced by the City of La Habra include safeguards to protect the public from potential local natural disasters that can occur, such as windstorms, wildland fires and earthquakes; and

WHEREAS, *Building Safety Week*, sponsored by the International Code Council Foundation, and building and fire safety professionals provides an opportunity to inform the public about the role played by building safety and fire prevention officials, local and state building departments, and federal agencies in protecting lives and property; and

WHEREAS, the theme, "Building Safety: Where You Live, Work and Play," encourages all Americans to raise awareness of the importance of building safety; green and sustainable building; pool, spa and hot tub safety; and new technologies in the construction industry; it presents opportunities to learn appropriate steps everyone can take to ensure that the places where we live, learn, work and play are safe, and emphasizes that countless lives have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes by local and state agencies; 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 recognize the local building safety and fire prevention officials and the important role that they play in public safety;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the City Council of the City of La Habra does hereby designate May 3 through May 9, 2009, as **Building Safety Week** in the City of La Habra. Accordingly, our citizens are encouraged to join their fellow Americans in participating in **Building Safety Week** activities and assisting efforts to improve building safety.

DATED this 4th day of May, 2009.

Tom Beamish, Mayor

Attest: Tamara D. Mason, CMC
City Clerk