

## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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AS AMENDED, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, APRIL 8, 2008

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the week of May 5 through 11, 2008, as "Building  
2 Safety Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Through continuing efforts of the Pennsylvania  
4 Association of Building Code Officials AND ALL CHAPTERS OF THE <—  
5 INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL OF PENNSYLVANIA to address critical  
6 safety issues in the built environment that affects citizens of  
7 this Commonwealth, regardless of age or occupation, both in  
8 everyday life and in times of natural disaster, they can be  
9 confident that structures are safe and sound; and

10 WHEREAS, Building safety and fire prevention officials,  
11 architects, engineers, builders and others in the construction  
12 industry work year-round to ensure the safe construction of  
13 buildings; and

14 WHEREAS, Dedicated members of ALL CHAPTERS OF the <—

1 International Code Council (ICC) and the Pennsylvania  
2 Association of Building Code Officials develop and implement the  
3 highest quality codes to protect the public in the buildings  
4 where they live, learn, work and play; and

5 WHEREAS, The International Codes, the most widely adopted  
6 building safety and fire prevention codes in the United States,  
7 were adopted in this Commonwealth as the act of November 10,  
8 1999 (P.L.491, No.45), known as the Pennsylvania Construction  
9 Code Act; and

10 WHEREAS, These modern building safety codes also include  
11 standards to protect the public from natural disasters such as  
12 hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wildland fires and  
13 earthquakes; and

14 WHEREAS, "Building Safety Week," sponsored by the ICC and the  
15 Pennsylvania Association of Building Code Officials the ICC  
16 chapter in Pennsylvania reminds the public about the critical  
17 role of local code officials who help to prevent countless fires  
18 and accidents; and

19 WHEREAS, The theme of this year's "Building Safety Week,"  
20 "Building Safety: Where You Live, Work and Play," encourages all  
21 Americans to be aware of the importance of building safety,  
22 including green and sustainable building, pool, spa and hot tub  
23 safety and new technologies in the construction industry, and  
24 the week educates the public about steps everyone can take to  
25 ensure that the places where people live, learn, work and play  
26 are safe, and countless lives that have been saved due to the  
27 implementation of safety codes by the State and local agencies;  
28 therefore be it

29 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the  
30 week of May 5 through 11, 2008, as "Building Safety Week" in

1 Pennsylvania; and be it further

2       RESOLVED, That citizens of this Commonwealth be encouraged to

3 participate in "Building Safety Week" activities.