

PROCLAMATION



WHEREAS, the City of Lee's Summit is committed to recognizing our growth and strength depends on the safety and essential role our homes, buildings and infrastructure play, both in everyday life and when natural disasters strike; and

WHEREAS, our confidence in the resilience of these buildings that make up our community is achieved through the devotion of vigilant guardians—building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, design professionals, laborers, plumbers and others in the construction industry - who work year round to ensure the safe construction of buildings; and

WHEREAS, these guardians are dedicated members of the International Code Council, a non-profit, that brings together local, state territorial, tribal and federal officials who are experts in the built environment to create and implement the highest-quality codes to protect us in the buildings where we live, learn, work, worship, and play; and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Month is sponsored by the International Code Council to remind the public about the critical role of our communities' largely unknown protectors of public safety—our local code officials—who assure us of safe, sustainable and affordable buildings that are essential to our prosperity; and

WHEREAS, "It Starts with You" the theme for Building Safety Month 2023, encourages us all to raise awareness about building safety on a personal, local and global scale.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, William A. Baird, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri, do hereby proclaim May 2023 as

BUILDING SAFETY MONTH

and ask everyone to consider the commitment to improve building safety, resilience and economic investment at home and in our community, and to acknowledge the essential services provided by local and state building departments, fire prevention bureaus and federal agencies in protecting lives and property.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri, this 2nd day of May 2023.

MAYOR WILLIAM A. BAIRD