2015 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 105

BY REPRESENTATIVE ADAMS

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Recognizes May 2015 as Building Safety Month

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To designate and recognize May 2015 as Building Safety Month as sponsored by the
3	International Code Council to raise awareness of the important role of building codes
4	for the health, safety, and welfare of the public.
5	WHEREAS, Louisiana's continuing efforts to address the critical issues of safety,
6	energy efficiency, water conservation, and resilience of the built environment that affect our
7	citizens, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster, give us confidence that our
8	structures are safe and sound; and
9	WHEREAS, our state's confidence is achieved through the devotion of vigilant
10	guardians such as building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders,
11	tradespeople, laborers, and others in the construction industry who work year-round to
12	ensure the safe construction of buildings; and
13	WHEREAS, dedicated members of the International Code Council use a
14	governmental consensus process that brings together local, state, and federal officials with
15	expertise in the built environment to create and implement the highest quality codes to
16	protect Americans in the buildings where we live, learn, work, worship, and play; and
17	WHEREAS, the International Codes, the most widely adopted building safety,
18	energy, and fire prevention codes in the nation are used by most United States cities,
19	counties, and states; and

1 WHEREAS, these modern building codes also include safeguards to protect the 2 public from natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wildland fires, 3 floods, and earthquakes; and

4 WHEREAS, Building Safety Month is sponsored by the International Code Council as a campaign to remind the public about the critical role of our communities' largely 5 6 unknown guardians of public safety, and such unknown guardians are our local code 7 officials who assure us of safe, efficient, and livable buildings; and

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WHEREAS, "Resilient Communities Start with Building Codes" is the theme for 9 Building Safety Month 2015; and

10 WHEREAS, this theme encourages all Americans to raise awareness of fire 11 prevention, disaster mitigation, water safety and conservation, energy efficiency and new 12 technologies in the construction industry, and the importance of building safe and resilient 13 constructions; and

14 WHEREAS, Building Safety Month 2015 encourages appropriate steps that everyone 15 can take to ensure that the places where we live, learn, work, worship, and play are safe and 16 sustainable, and recognizes that countless lives have been saved due to the implementation 17 of safety codes by local and state agencies; and

18 WHEREAS, each year, in observance of Building Safety Month, Americans are 19 asked to consider projects to improve building safety and sustainability at home and in the 20 community, and to acknowledge the essential service provided to all of us by local and state 21 building departments, fire prevention bureaus, and federal agencies in protecting lives and 22 property.

23 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby 24 designate and recognize May 2015 as Building Safety Month as sponsored by the 25 International Code Council.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby 27 encourage the citizens of the state of Louisiana to join with their communities for 28 participation in Building Safety Month Activities.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted 30 to Mark Roberts, Senior Regional Manager of the International Code Council.

DIGEST

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