



**WHEREAS**, the safety of the buildings we occupy daily is essential to the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the world; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout the region most fundamental laws and ordinances are those which provide standards for the safe construction of buildings in which people live, work, and play; and

**WHEREAS**, for construction and building codes to be effective and enforced, understanding and cooperation must exist between code officials and the people they serve; and

**WHEREAS**, through the efforts of City Code officials, and their cooperative relationship with the construction industry, the administration of these health and life safety standards is assured; and

**WHEREAS**, the theme of International Building Safety Week 2014 has been established as setting "BUILDING SAFETY: Maximizing Resilience, Minimizing Risks."

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor and Council of Rockville do hereby proclaim the month of May 2014, as BUILDING SAFETY MONTH in Rockville, and urge all citizens to participate in promoting building safety, to create awareness as to the importance of construction and building codes, and try to spotlight the role of the dedicated code official in the administering those codes.

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