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A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCLAIMING MAY 2018 AS BUILDING SAFETY MONTH IN NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA.

WHEREAS, the Nassau County Board of County Commissioners recognizes that our growth and strength depends on the safety and economic value of homes, buildings, and infrastructure that serve our citizens, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster; and

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

WHEREAS, these guardians are dedicated members of the International Code Council, a U.S. based organization that brings together local, state and federal officials that are experts in the built environment to create and implement the highest-

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quality codes to protect us in the buildings where we live, learn, work, worship, and play; and

WHEREAS, our nation benefits both economically and technologically from using the International Codes that are developed by a national, voluntary consensus codes and standards developing organization, and are able to avoid the high cost and complexity of developing and maintaining their own codes. These modern codes include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wildland fires, floods, and earthquake; and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Month is sponsored by the International Code Council to remind the public about the critical role of our local code officials who assure us of safe, efficient and livable buildings that are essential to keep American great; and

WHEREAS, "Building Codes Save Lives" is the theme for Building Safety Month 2018, and encourages all Americans to raise awareness of the importance of building safe and resilient construction; fire prevention; disaster mitigation; and new technologies in the construction industry; and

WHEREAS, each year, in observance of Building Safety Month, Americans are asked to consider the

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commitment to improve building safety and economic investment at home and in the community, and to acknowledge the essential service provided to all of us by local and state building departments, fire prevention bureaus, and federal agencies in protecting lives and property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2018 that:

- The Board hereby proclaims May 2018 as Building Safety Month.
- 2. The Board hereby recognizes the efforts of local code officials who ensure that the places where we live, learn, work, worship and play are safe.
- 3. The Board encourages the citizens of Nassau County to acknowledge the essential service provided to all of us by local and state code officials who protect lives and property every day.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

PAT EDWARDS Its: Chairman

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ATTEST AS TO CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE:

JOHN A. CRAWFORD Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form by the Nassau County Attorney

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