

**TAYLORSVILLE CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

MEETING DATE: April 17, 2013

AGENDA ITEM: Proclamation declaring May 2013 as *Building Safety Month* in the City of Taylorsville.

PRESENTER: Patrick Tomasino

ISSUE SUMMARY: This is a proclamation declaring the month of May 2013 as Building Safety Month in the City of Taylorsville.

National Building Safety Month (NBSM) is sponsored by the International Code Council (ICC) to remind communities of the critical role of local code officials play in health, safety, and welfare of communities across the United States. The theme of NBSM 2013 is "*Code Officials Keep You Safe*" and will focus on building safety and sustainability by highlighting 4 specific themes:

Week One: May 6-12, 2013
Fire Safety & Awareness Week

Week Two: May 13-19, 2013
Disaster Safety & Mitigation

Week Three: May 20-26, 2013
Backyard & Pool Safety

Week Four: May 27-31, 2013
Energy & Green Building

Information will be made available to the public at the Community Development Department and on the City's web site throughout the month.

CITY OF TAYLORSVILLE

PROCLAMATION

MAY 2013

Building Safety Month — May, 2013

WHEREAS, continuing efforts to address the critical issues of safety, energy efficiency, and resilience in the built environment affect our citizens, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster, give us confidence that our structures are safe and sound, and;

WHEREAS, our confidence is achieved through the devotion of dedicated professionals—building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, laborers and others in the construction industry—who work year-round to ensure the safe construction of buildings, and;

WHEREAS, these professionals—dedicated members of the International Code Council—use a governmental consensus process that brings together local, state and federal officials with expertise in the built environment to create and implement the highest-quality codes to protect Americans in the buildings where we live, learn, work, worship, and play, and;

WHEREAS, the International Building Codes, the most widely adopted building safety, energy and fire prevention codes in the nation, are used by most U.S. cities, counties and states; these modern building codes also include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wild-land fires and earthquakes, 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 guardians of public safety—our local code officials—who assure us of safe, efficient and livable buildings, and;

WHEREAS, “Building Safety Month: Code Officials Keep You Safe” the theme for Building Safety Month 2013, encourages all Americans to raise awareness of the importance of building safety; green and resilient building; pool, spa and hot tub safety; backyard safety; and new technologies in the construction industry. Building Safety Month 2013 encourages appropriate steps everyone can take to ensure that the places where we live, learn, work, worship and play are safe and sustainable, and recognizes that countless lives have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes by local and state agencies, and,

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

NOW THEREFORE, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Taylorsville hereby proclaim May 2013 as BUILDING SAFETY MONTH.

ADOPTED on this 17th day of April, 2013 in Taylorsville, Utah.

Jerry Rechtenbach, Mayor

Dama Barbour, City Council Chair

ATTEST:

Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder