Town of Apex, North Carolina Proclamation

from the Office of the Mayor

Building Safety Month 2021

- WHEREAS, the Town of Apex is committed to recognizing that our growth and strength depend upon the safety and economic value of the homes, buildings, and infrastructure that serve our citizens, both in everyday life and in times of disaster; 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, design professionals, builders, tradespeople, laborers, and others in the construction industry - who work yearround to ensure the safe construction of buildings; and
- WHEREAS, these guardians are dedicated members of the International Code Council, a nonprofit that brings together local, state, and federal officials who are experts in the build environment to create and implement the highest quality codes to protect us in the buildings where we live, learn, work, and play; and
- WHEREAS, these modern building codes include safeguards to protect the public from hazards such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wildland fires, floods, and earthquakes; and
- WHEREAS, Building Safety Month is sponsored by the International Code Council to remind the public about the critical role our communities' largely unknown protectors of public safety - our local code officials
 who assure us of safe, sustainable, energy efficient and livable buildings that are essential to America's prosperity; and
- WHEREAS, "Prevent, Prepare, Protect. Building Codes Save", the theme for Building Safety Month 2021, encourages all Americans to raise awareness about the importance of safe and resilient construction, fire prevention, disaster mitigation, energy conservation, water safety, training the next generation, and new technologies in the construction industry; and
- WHEREAS, each year in observance of Building Safety Month, people all over the world are asked to consider the commitment to improve building safety, resilience, 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, I, Jacques K. Gilbert, Mayor of the Town of Apex, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2021 as Building Safety Month and encourage our citizens to join with their community in celebration of Building Safety Month.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Town of Apex, North Carolina to be affixed this the 11th day of May 2021.