

- **WHEREAS,** the City of McKinney is committed to recognizing that our growth and strength depends on 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, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, design professionals, laborers, plumbers and others in the construction industry—who work year-round to ensure the safe construction of buildings, 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 of 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, GEORGE C. FULLER, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF MAY 2021 AS

BUILDING SAFETY MONTH

IN THIS CITY, ENCOURAGING ALL RESIDENTS TO SUPPORT AND ENDEAVOR 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.

GEORGE C. FULLER, Mayor

ATTEST:

EMPRESS DRANE, City Secretary