

CITY OF WINTER PARK

# proclamation

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## Building Safety Month | May 2026

**WHEREAS**, Winter Park is committed to recognizing that our growth and strength depends on the safety and essential role our homes, buildings and infrastructure play, both in everyday life and when disasters strike; 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 guardians are dedicated members of the International Code Council, a nonprofit that brings together local, state, territorial, tribal 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, wildfires, 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 and affordable buildings that are essential to our prosperity; and

**WHEREAS**, “Built to Last” the theme for Building Safety Month 2026 encourages us all to get involved and raise awareness about building safety on a personal, local and global scale; 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 their communities, as well as acknowledge the essential services provided to all of us by local, state, territorial, and federal building safety and fire prevention departments, in protecting lives and property.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Sheila DeCiccio, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Winter Park, in the state of Florida, do hereby proclaim **May 2026** to be **Building Safety Month** in the City of Winter Park, Florida, and I encourage our citizens to join us as we participate in Building Safety Month activities.



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Winter Park, Florida, to be affixed this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May 2026.

**Sheila DeCiccio**  
Mayor