

# PROCLAMATION

## Building Safety Month May 2022

Whereas Building Safety Month is an annual event to remind the public about the critical roles of our communities' largely unknown protectors of public safety – our local code officials – who assure us of safe, sustainable, efficient, and livable buildings that are essential to America's prosperity, and

Whereas, Washougal is committed to recognizing that our growth and strength depend on the safety and economic value of the homes, buildings, and infrastructure that serve our residents, both in everyday life and in times of disaster; and

Whereas, our confidence in the resilience of the buildings that serve our community is achieved through the devotion of vigilant guardians – building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, and engineers, builders, tradespeople, design professional, laborers, plumbers, and others in the construction industry – who work year-around to ensure the safe construction and maintenance of buildings; and

Whereas, modern building codes include safeguards to protect the public from hazards such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wildland fire, floods, and earthquakes, and

Whereas, "Safety for all: Building Codes in Action," is the theme for Building Safety Month 2022, and encourages us 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 commit 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 department, fire prevention bureaus, and federal agencies in protecting lives and property.

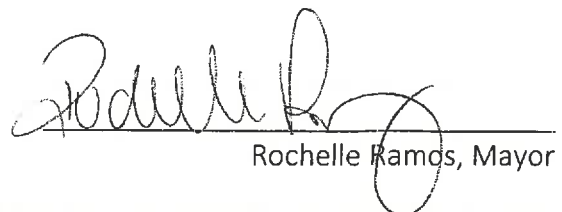
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rochelle Ramos, Mayor of the City of Washougal, Washington, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2022 as:

### **"Building Safety Month"**

accordingly, I encourage all citizens to join with their communities to join in this special observance.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Washougal to be affixed this 9th day of May 2022.

  
Rochelle Ramos, Mayor