



*Executive Department
State of Idaho*

*The Office of the Governor
Proclamation*

*State Capitol
Boise*

WHEREAS, our continuing efforts to address the issues of safety, energy efficiency and resilience in buildings that 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 bolstered by the efforts of building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders and others in the construction industry who work year-round to ensure the safe construction of buildings; and

WHEREAS, modern building codes adopted by most U.S. cities, counties and states include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as earthquakes, snowstorms, tornadoes and wildfires; and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Month is an opportunity to remind the public of the critical role played by our communities' largely unknown guardians of public safety – our state and local code officials – who assure us safe, efficient and livable buildings; and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Month encourages all Americans to become more aware of the importance of building safety and to take appropriate steps to ensure that the places where we live, learn, work, worship and play are safe; and

WHEREAS, “Building Safety: Maximizing Resilience, Minimizing Risks” is the theme for Building Safety Month 2014, encouraging all Americans to raise awareness of the importance of building safe and resilient construction; fire prevention; disaster mitigation; energy efficiency and new technologies in the construction industry; and

WHEREAS, by observing Building Safety Month, we ask all Idahoans to consider projects to improve building safety at home and in the community, and to acknowledge the essential service provided to all of us by state and local building departments, fire prevention officials and federal agencies in protecting lives and property.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. “Butch” Otter, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim May 2014 as

BUILDING SAFETY MONTH

in Idaho and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 1st day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and fourteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-eighth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-fourth.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'C.L. Butch Otter', with a large circular flourish at the end.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Ben Yursa', with a large flourish at the end.

BEN YURSA
SECRETARY OF STATE