

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF NEW KENT
VIRGINIA**

R-09-11

At the regular meeting of the New Kent County Board of Supervisors held in the Boardroom of the County Administration Building in New Kent, Virginia, on the 11th day of April, 2011:

Present:	Vote:
David M. Sparks	Aye
James H. Burrell	Aye
Stran L. Trout	Aye
W. R. Davis, Jr.	Aye
Thomas W. Evelyn	Aye

Motion was made by Mr. Trout, which carried 5:0 to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 2011 AS
BUILDING SAFETY MONTH**

WHEREAS, New Kent County's continuing efforts to address the critical issues of safety, energy efficiency and sustainability in the built environment that affect our citizens, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster, give us confidence that our buildings and structures are safe and sound; and

WHEREAS, our confidence is achieved through the devotion of vigilant building safety officials, fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, laborers and other professionals in the construction industry who work year-round to ensure the safe construction of buildings and structures; and

WHEREAS, these dedicated employees and professionals develop and implement the highest-quality codes to protect our citizens in the buildings where we live, learn, work, worship and play; and

WHEREAS, our modern building safety codes also include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wild land fires and earthquakes; and

WHEREAS, as we observe Building Safety Month, we remind the citizens of New Kent County about the critical role of our communities' guardians of public safety - our local code officials - who assure us of safe, energy efficient and livable buildings and that countless lives have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes by local and state agencies; and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Month encourages all citizens to increase and promote awareness of the importance of building safety; pool safety; fire safety, green and sustainable construction, while embracing new technologies in the construction industry; and

WHEREAS, this year, as we observe Building Safety Month, we ask all Citizens of New Kent County to consider projects to improve building safety and sustainability at home and in the community and acknowledge the essential and critical services provided by the New Kent County Building Department and other county, state and federal agencies in protecting lives and property; and,

WHEREAS, this year, the Virginia Building and Code Officials Association is promoting Accessibility Awareness through a variety of public service announcements and activities to promote broader based knowledge and understanding of these challenges throughout the Commonwealth;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the New Kent County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize the month of May 2011 as **Building Safety Month** in New Kent County, and further recognizes May 2011 as **Accessibility Awareness Month** and call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.



G. Cabell Lawton, IV
County Administrator



Thomas W. Evelyn
Chairman