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WHEREAS: through our continuing efforts to address critical safety issues in the built environment that affect our citizens, regardless of age or occupation, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster, we are confident that our structures are safe and sound; and

WHEREAS: vigilant guardians – building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders and others in the construction industry – work year-round to ensure the safe construction of buildings; and

WHEREAS: these dedicated members of the International Code Council develop and implement the highest-quality codes to protect Americans in the buildings where we live, learn, work and play; and

WHEREAS: the International Codes, the most widely adopted building safety and fire prevention codes in the nation are used by most U.S. cities, counties and states; these modern building safety codes upon which the Florida Building Code is based, also include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wildland fires and earthquakes; and

- WHEREAS: Building Safety Month, sponsored by the International Code Council, reminds the public about the critical role of our communities' targely unknown guardians of public safety --- our local code officials -- who help prevent countless fires and accidents; and
- WHEREAS: "Building Safety: Where You Live, Work and Play," encourages all Americans to raise awareness of the importance of building safety; green and sustainable building; pool, spa and hot tub safety; and new technologies in the construction industry; it presents appropriate steps everyone can take to ensure that the places where we live, learn, work and play are safe, and that countless lives have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes by local and state agencies; and
- WHEREAS: this year, as we observe Building Safety Month, we ask everyone 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 local and state building departments and federal agencies in protecting lives and property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that I, Lamar Fisher, Mayor, on behalf of the City Commission of Pompano Beach, FL, do hereby designate the month of May, 2017, as Building Safety Month in Pompano Beach. Accordingly, our citizens are encouraged to join communities across America to participate in Building Safety Month activities.

DONE this 25th day of April, 2017.