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ACR-201 California Building Safety Month. (2023-2024)

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 201

CHAPTER 113

Relative to building safety.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 201, Alanis. California Building Safety Month.

This measure would proclaim the month of May 2024 as California Building Safety Month.

Fiscal Committee: no

WHEREAS, California relies upon buildings to house our communities and protect the personal safeties of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, The safety of the buildings we occupy daily is essential to the health, safety, and welfare of citizens of California; and

WHEREAS, The safety of our buildings and those who occupy them is ensured each day by the tireless efforts of building and code enforcement officials; and

WHEREAS, California is preparing to update its building code in the year ahead, bringing the next generation of building safety and protection to the people of California; and

WHEREAS, The building code update is part of ongoing efforts to ensure that residents and individuals patronizing businesses and homes within California are afforded the highest construction standards available; and

WHEREAS, California Building Safety Month, held each May, emphasizes the important role local building departments play in the development and maintenance of safe buildings in our communities; and

WHEREAS, Local building departments help to ensure that the health, safety, and general well-being of the public is protected by reviewing building construction plans, issuing building permits, inspecting buildings during and after construction to guarantee that they comply with the necessary health and safety regulations, and enforcing the preventative work that contributes to the success of keeping the occupants of the structure safe during an emergency; and

WHEREAS, For construction and building codes to be effective and enforced, understanding and cooperation must exist between building and code enforcement officials and the people they serve; and

WHEREAS, Through the efforts of building and code enforcement officials worldwide, and their cooperative relationship with the construction industry, the administration of these health and life safety standards is ensured; and

WHEREAS, Cities and counties across California are joining to promote building safety through the observation of California Building Safety Month; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Legislature proclaims the month of May 2024 as California Building Safety Month and urges all citizens to participate in California Building Safety Month activities to help promote building safety, to create awareness as to the importance of construction and building codes, and to spotlight the role of the dedicated code official in administering those codes; and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.