City of Calistoga Staff Report

TO:

Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM:

Brad Cannon, Building Official

VIA:

Charlene Gallina, Planning and Building Director

DATE:

May 5, 2009

SUBJECT:

Building Safety Week Proclamation

_APPROVAL FOR FORWARDING:	
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ISSUE:

A proclamation declaring May 3 – 9, 2009 "Building Safety Week" in the City of Calistoga.

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DISCUSSION:

First observed in 1980, Building Safety Week annually raises public awareness of critical safety issues affecting the entire community. These entail the structural soundness of the buildings where we live and work, reliability of fire prevention and suppression systems, plumbing and mechanical systems, and energy efficiency and sustainability.

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The City of Calistoga is a proud member of the International Code Council. As the sponsor of Building Safety Week, the Code Council develops the most widely used building safety and fire prevention codes in the nation. In turn, such codes are adopted by the State of California with amendments and then locally by the City of Calistoga for implementation.

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ATTACHMENT:

Proclamation

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CITY OF CALISTOGA PROCLAMATION

Recognizing May 3 – 9, 2009 as Building Safety Week

WHEREAS, through our continuing efforts to address critical safety issues in the built environment that affect our citizens, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster, we are striving to ensure Calistoga structures are safe and sound; and,

WHEREAS, 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, the International Code Council develops and implements the highestquality of building safety codes to protect community members and the public in the buildings where we live, learn, work and play; and,

WHEREAS, Building Safety Week, sponsored by the International Code Council, reminds the public about the critical role of the local code officials who help prevent countless fires and accidents; and,

WHEREAS, the theme, "Building Safety: Where You Live, Work and Play" encourages all citizens to raise awareness of the importance of building safety; and

WHEREAS, this year, as we observe Building Safety Week, we ask everyone to improve building safety in the community, and to acknowledge the essential service provided by code officials in protecting lives and property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED THAT the City Council of the City of Calistoga supports the recognition of Building Safety Week, May 3 through May 9, 2009 to raise community awareness of the importance of building safety and strives to ensure Calistoga structures are safe and sound.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that the City of Calistoga declares the week of Monday, May 3, 2009 through Sunday May 9, 2009 to be "Building Safety Week".

Signed and sealed, this fifth day of May, in the year Two Thousand and Nine.

Jack Gingles, Mayor