



# PROCLAMATION

## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

- Whereas** Ontario Municipalities are committed to recognizing that our growth and strength depends on the safety and essential role our homes, buildings and infrastructure play, both in everyday life and when disasters strike, and;
- Whereas** our confidence in the structural integrity of these buildings that make up our communities are achieved through the devotion of vigilant guardians—building officials, fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, design professionals, and others in the construction industry—who work year-round to ensure the safe construction of buildings, and;
- Whereas** modern building codes include safeguards to protect the public from hazards such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wildland fires, floods and earthquakes; and
- Whereas** Building Safety Month, a campaign supported by the Ontario Large Municipalities Chief Building Officials (OLMCBO) and the Ontario Building Officials Association (OBOA), is intended to remind the public about the critical role of our communities' largely unknown protectors of public safety—our local code officials—who assure us of safe, sustainable and affordable buildings that are essential to our prosperity; and
- Whereas** each year, in observance of Building Safety Month, people all over the world are asked to consider the commitment to improve building safety, resilience and economic investment at home and in the community, and to acknowledge the essential service provided to all of us by our building regulatory departments, fire prevention bureaus and national and international agencies in protecting lives and property.
- Therefore** I, Marianne Meed Ward, Mayor of the City of Burlington, do hereby proclaim **May 2026** as

### ***“Building Safety Month”***

in the City of Burlington and do commend its thoughtful observance to all citizens of our municipality.

**Mayor Marianne Meed Ward**

Dated this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026

