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## **Building Safety: Where You Live, Work and Play**

**Honolulu, HI** – Baldrige & Associates Structural Engineering, Inc. (BASE) would like to help raise awareness of building safety by encouraging you to celebrate Building Safety Week from May 5 through May 11. Across the nation, communities will promote the use and understanding of building safety and fire prevention codes to protect lives and property. The theme is “Building Safety: Where You Live, Work and Play.”

Building safety and fire prevention codes address all aspects of construction, such as structural soundness of buildings, reliability of fire prevention and suppression systems, plumbing and mechanical systems and energy efficiency and sustainability. To ensure buildings are safe requires the active participation of building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, builders, engineers and others in the construction industry, as well as property owners.

BASE, in accord with building departments and government agencies, recognizes the need for independent observation during construction to improve the quality of the constructed environment and enhance public safety. As a result, BASE has expanded its services through BASE Testing & Inspection to ensure that the required inspection quality is being maintained. As a leader in engineering and inspection, BASE understands the unique requirements of Hawaii’s building industry, such as the importance of employing quality, certified inspectors.

Aubrey Renteria, our Testing & Inspection Manager, is about to become certified as Hawaii’s first and only Master of Special Inspectors. This designation shows his commitment to the program for special inspection and places him among leaders in the field.

Building Safety Week, first observed in 1980, is sponsored by the International Code Council, a membership organization dedicated to building safety and fire prevention. The International Code Council develops the codes used to construct residential and commercial buildings, including homes and schools.



Most U.S. cities, counties and states, including Hawaii, use the International Codes – building safety codes developed by the International Code Council.

For more information regarding Building Safety Week or the International Code Council, please visit [www.buildingsafetyweek.org](http://www.buildingsafetyweek.org).

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