

City of Lawton Proclamation

Whereas, Code Enforcement Officers provide for safety and welfare of the citizens throughout the United States through the enforcement of local codes or ordinances facing various issues of building, zoning, housing, animal control, environmental, health and life safety. The role of many Code Enforcement Officers has expanded in recent years with the increased number of foreclosed and abandoned homes in communities impacted economically; and

Whereas, Code Enforcement Officers often have a challenging and demanding role and often do not receive recognition for the job that they do in improving living and working conditions for residents and businesses of local communities. They are called upon to provide quality customer service and excellence to the residents and businesses of the communities in which they serve; and

Whereas, Code Enforcement Officers are dedicated, and high qualified professionals who share the goals of preventing neighborhood deterioration, enhancing, and ensuring safety, and preserving property values through knowledge and application of housing, zoning, and nuisance codes and ordinances; and

Whereas, Code Enforcement Officers are a highly visible role in the communities they serve and regularly interact with a variety of state officials, county officials, first responders, legislative boards, commissioners, agencies, and bodies; and

Whereas, the American Association of Code Enforcement wants to recognize and honor Code Enforcement Officers and Professionals all across the United States and bring awareness to the Importance of Code Enforcement to the communities of the United States; and

Whereas, the American Association of Code Enforcement was established in 1988 for the purpose of providing ongoing training and support for Code Enforcement professionals working in the United States.

Now, Therefore, I, Stan Booker, Mayor, City of Lawton, do hereby proclaim October 2021 as

National Code Compliance Month

and call upon municipalities and communities to join in recognizing and expressing their appreciation of the dedication and service by the individuals who serve as our Code Enforcement Officers.

In Witness Whereof, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Official Seal of the City of Lawton, Oklahoma, to be affixed hereto this 12th day of October 2021.

Stan Booker, Mayor