



Office of the  
Orange County Mayor

# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, nearly 6,000 people die from job-related injuries, never returning home from work, and 4.4 million more suffer occupational injuries and illnesses each year in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, businesses spend \$170 billion a year on costs associated with occupational injuries, health care, and illnesses – costs that take away from company profits; and

**WHEREAS**, every day, millions of people go to and return home from work safely, due in part to the efforts of occupational safety, health, and environmental professionals who work day in and day out identifying hazards and implementing safety and health advances in all industries and at all workplaces, in an effort eliminating workplace fatalities, injuries and illnesses; and

**WHEREAS**, incorporating safety as a core value in a corporation not only increases workplace safety, but leads to major cost savings, projects being completed early and often under budget, quality products, and much more; and

**WHEREAS**, it is imperative that employers, employees, and the general public be aware of the importance of preventing illness and injury in the workplace, wherever that workplace may be; and

**WHEREAS**, the more than 32,000 members of the 98-year-old American Society of Safety Engineers are occupational safety, health, and environmental practitioners committed to protecting people, property, and the environment; and

**WHEREAS**, during North American Occupational Safety and Health (NAOSH) Week from May 3 through May 9, 2009, the American Society of Safety Engineers members and corporate/association partners will mobilize countrywide in an effort to increase understanding of the importance of occupational safety and health; to raise awareness of the role and contribution of safety, health, and environmental professionals; and to encouraging safe practices; and

**WHEREAS**, the theme of NAOSH Week 2009 is "Safety Means Always Coming Home"; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 6, 2009, occupational safety and health professionals will be recognized during the fourth annual Occupational Safety and Health Professional Day for the work they do to keep people safe at work;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I Richard T. Crotty, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Orange County Mayor, do hereby proclaim the week of May 3 through May 9, 2009 as

**NORTH AMERICAN OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY  
AND HEALTH WEEK (NAOSH) WEEK**

and May 6, 2009 as

**OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH PROFESSIONALS DAY**

in Orange County, Florida.

**DONE AND ORDERED** this 12<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2009.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Richard T. Crotty".

**RICHARD T. CROTTY, ORANGE COUNTY MAYOR**

