

## **GOVERNOR JOSH SHAPIRO**

Greetings:

It is my pleasure to recognize May 20–24, 2024, as Contractor Fraud Week.

While the potential for natural disasters is an unfortunate fact of life in our Commonwealth, perhaps not as well-known is the potential for contractor fraud during the home restoration process. Distressed homeowners are taken advantage of by predatory practices, with the cost of repair or rebuilding fraudulently inflated. It is vitally important that effective public outreach is conducted to highlight the different types of contractor fraud schemes and educate consumers on how to identify and avoid such schemes. Keeping Pennsylvanians safe from financial abuse is and should always be a top priority for public officials and all local and state partners. I am confident that providing reliable, quality information on how to avoid and deal with dishonest contractors will pay dividends for many years to come.

On behalf of all Pennsylvanians, I am happy to recognize May 20–24, 2024, as Contractor Fraud Week. Please accept my best wishes for continued success in educating Pennsylvanians about this harmful practice.

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GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, this twentieth day of May two thousand twentyfour, the year of the Commonwealth the two hundred forty-eighth.

Governor Josh Shapiro