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CITY, STATE (DATE) - Your city celebrates Economic Development Week from May 8-14. Economic Development Week was created by The International Economic Development Council in commemoration of its 90-year anniversary as the largest professional membership organization for economic developers.

Economic developers are charged with generating economic growth, creating better jobs for residents and facilitating an improved quality of life. The industry remains as complex, challenging and rewarding as ever.

The economic development efforts provided by economic developers are being showcased this week nationally. Members of Congress are also highlighting the work of our nation's economic developers through special resolutions that are appearing in the Congressional Record.

Barry Matherly, the Chair of the International Economic Development Council and the President of the Greater Richmond Partnership said, "We are so pleased that your town, city, county, region, or state is helping to celebrate the profession and the professionals that work hard to create opportunity for all citizens and their communities.

A series of events are planned this week, including:

Add special events your city is planning here. We recommend you list a maximum of three activities.

Event 1:
Event 2:
Event 3:

Quote #1 here: It is recommended you include a quote from a city official.
Quote #2 here: It is recommended you include a quote from your EDO’s CEO.

About (your organization here)
It is recommended that you add a boilerplate “About your EDO” here. Below is IEDC’s About Us copy, which we also recommend you keep in the press release.

About the International Economic Development Council
The International Economic Development Council (IEDC) is a non-profit membership organization serving economic developers. With more than 4,700 members, IEDC is the largest organization of its kind. Economic developers promote economic well-being and quality of life for their communities, by creating, retaining and expanding jobs that facilitate growth, enhance wealth and provide a stable tax base. From public to private, rural to urban, and local to international, IEDC’s members are engaged in the full range of economic development
experience. Given the breadth of economic development work, our members are employed in a wide variety of settings including local, state, provincial and federal governments, public-private partnerships, chambers of commerce, universities and a variety of other institutions. IEDC’s members create high-quality jobs, develop vibrant communities and improve the quality of life in their regions. www.iedcONLINE.org.

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