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Dear Members of the Board:

The National Association of Home Builders (NAHB), a founding strategic partner with the International Code Council (ICC), encourages state and local jurisdictions to consider adoption of the 2018 family of I-Codes as the foundation for updating their respective building codes. The I-Codes provide a coordinated set of national model building codes that are developed through a fair and open consensus process that encourages balanced participation from a broad array of stakeholders. NAHB also firmly supports ICC because it continues to be the only model code organization whose code development process considers the impact that building codes have on housing affordability.

Since ICC's inception in 1994, NAHB and its members have invested countless hours in the development of the I-Codes and helping ICC achieve widespread adoption of its codes at the state and local levels. While NAHB has and will continue to assist its state and local Home Builder Associations and members as they advocate for relevant local amendments, NAHB remains committed to and supportive of the model codes developed by ICC through its governmental consensus process.

Likewise, NAHB reemphasizes its commitment to working with ICC to educate code officials and the housing industry on the importance of participating in both the code development process and using cdpACCESS™, as well as building code adoption at the state and local levels. Through our One & Done initiative, NAHB continues to reach out to members of both organizations to underscore the importance of active participation and provide guidance on how to do so. Clearly, NAHB believes that broader participation in the ICC governmental consensus process will provide a more pragmatic set of building codes that are both safe and affordable.

NAHB reaffirms its commitment to support the International Code Council and looks forward to our continued, productive strategic partnership as these efforts move forward.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gregory F. Ugalde". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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