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Dear Local Government Official:


This letter is to advise you of the opportunity for you to influence The Florida Building Code.

In 2000 the State of Florida created The Florida Building Commission to manage the development of The Florida Building Code and charged local jurisdictions with enforcement.

The Commission adopted a policy of inclusion of stakeholders in the development of The Florida Building Code and The Commission relies on local government code enforcement officials. Building officials have proven to have the most code knowledge of all the professionals who participate in the Florida Building Code development. Building Officials know the public safety needs and have the best understanding of the practical aspects of enforcement within local communities. Consequently, The Commission and its advisory committees reflect a significant reliance on their participation. On each Technical Advisory Committee, the Chair appoints four or five Building Officials out of eleven members and four of the twenty-three positions on The Commission are designated to Building Officials by law. Clearly, the active participation of Building Officials is critical to the process.

The Commission respectfully requests that local governments support the participation of Building Officials in its meetings and processes. It is critical to the effectiveness of the Code in protecting your citizens and local economies and provides you with the opportunity for extensive influence over the law you enforce.

Sincerely,



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