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Mo Madani, Technical Director
Florida Building Codes and Standards Office

RE: Letter of Support for the 9th Edition (2026) Florida Building Code (FBC) – Code Development 2024
IECC Code Changes on EV power transfer requirements

Dear Mr. Madani,

On behalf of the undersigned organizations, we are writing to express our strong support for the proposed 2026 Florida Building Code change CE#379 which aligns with Appendix CG of the International Energy Conservation Code (IECC). This Appendix includes provisions for EV-capable, EV-ready, and EVSE-installed parking spaces for new commercial construction. It is a prudent and cost-effective step toward preparing Florida for the rapidly increasing adoption of electric vehicles (EVs).

Florida is a leader in EV adoption, with the second highest EV registrations in the country. As of quarter 3 2024, 400,000 EVs are registered and [3,229 public charging stations](#) are available. These numbers continue to increase as more and more Floridians vote with their wallets to choose electric vehicles. Charging remains critical to enable and support this growth in EV adoption, and not just public fast charging, but charging at home, at work, at shopping centers, at hotels and motels, and other commercial properties where vehicles are often parked for hours at a time. These and similar properties are the focus of Code Change CE/#379 (IECC Appendix CG).

By establishing prudent requirements for EV-readiness in new commercial construction, this code change will make it far more affordable to install EV charging and will lead to significant cost savings compared with retrofitting these properties after they are built. This will support consumer choice by ensuring that new construction projects are equipped to meet the growing demand for EV charging infrastructure.

The inclusion of the EV-readiness provisions in the building code will also contribute to Florida's economic leadership in the growing electric transportation sector, fostering in-state job creation and economic growth in related industries. These provisions are a proactive measure to ensure that Florida's infrastructure keeps pace with the evolving needs of its residents and businesses, ultimately supporting the state's economic development goals. Appendix CG is not mandatory unless specifically referenced in the adopting ordinance, so we strongly encourage the Commission to affirmatively adopt it in the 2026 Code.

The undersigned organizations stand ready to assist and support this important initiative to help Florida continue cost-effectively prepare itself for increased electrification. Thank you for considering this vital update to the Florida Building Code. We look forward to Florida's continued leadership in advancing clean transportation solutions.

Sincerely,

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