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Mr. Mike Pfeiffer
Senior Vice President, Technical Services
International Code Council
500 New Jersey Avenue, NW, 6th Floor
Washington, DC 20001

March 25, 2020

Dear Mr. Pfeiffer:

I am the Palm Beach County Resilience Director and have learned that a third party is challenging the Office of Resilience's (OOR) votes on the 2021 code development process on the grounds of 1) failure to meet registration deadline; and 2) non-eligibility.

On the first of those, I believe that OOR complied with all required deadlines to register and assign voters. Your records should be able to confirm our timeliness.

On the second of those, OOR works closely with the County's Planning, Zoning and Building Department on issues such as building energy performance, energy efficiency, and electric vehicle zoning requirements. Within these topics, OOR is involved in making policy changes to the County's Unified Land Development Code and therefore is actively engaged in formulation and implementation of laws.

I would like to voice my support of the online voting system and the effort that the ICC has taken to maintain the integrity of this system and the great help OOR received from ICC staff members during the registration process. OOR has made a genuine and sincere effort to become a member, register governmental voting members, identify issues that are important to the County, and organize County voting on those issues. OOR does not have the resources to send eligible voting members to meetings in person, so the online voting system is of a great benefit. I sincerely hope that ICC values and incorporates OOR's opinions.

Best regards,

Megan S. Houston
Director, Office of Resilience