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The International Code Council Celebrates High Performance Buildings Week

Code Council joined discussions with U.S. congressional, administration and private sector leaders encouraging the advancement, adoption and effective implementation of energy-efficient and resilient codes and standards to spur the next generation of high performance buildings

Washington, D.C. – The International Code Council (ICC) joined members of the High Performance Buildings Coalition and High Performance Buildings Congressional Caucus in celebration of High Performance Building Week, a joint effort by the Coalition and Caucus to raise awareness of the importance of prioritizing efforts to advance high performing buildings in the U.S. Congress and the private sector.

The week's key event featured a panel briefing by senior staff from the Architect of the Capitol and the General Services Administration on what their offices are doing to address building performance priorities, health and wellness, and return-to-office needs in a post-pandemic world. U.S. Representative Peter Welch, Vermont's congressman and a Caucus Co-Chair, also addressed attendees to stress the importance of bipartisanship in successfully advancing energy conservation and clean energy objectives.

To help aid this effort, the Code Council is undertaking a major endeavor to overhaul the ICC Performance Code to not only enable performance-based design within all components and systems within a building but also to consider operational performance and functional recovery. The multi-year project is expected to result in a best-in-class model performance-based building regulation along with tools that will enable regulators and enforcement officials to measure compliance and simplify implementation.

"High Performance Building Week calls attention to the importance of ensuring our built environment is both sustainable and resilient. It brings the building industry together with policymakers to discuss the investments necessary to protect our residents from increasing hazard risk, lower energy bills, and reduce the greenhouse gas footprint from our building stock," said Coalition Chair Gabe Maser, Senior Vice President of Government Relations, International Code Council. "The Code Council's efforts to reenergize the ICC Performance Code will offer practitioners an additional tool towards realizing these goals and advancing the

adoption and effective implementation of sustainable and resilient building codes and standards. The Code Council and the Coalition look forward to continuing to advance our shared priorities with the Caucus and before Congress and the U.S. Administration.”

To learn more about the High Performance Buildings Coalition and other High Performance Buildings Week events, visit hpbuildings.org.

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About the International Code Council

The [International Code Council](http://www.iccsafe.org) is the leading global source of model codes and standards and building safety solutions. Code Council codes, standards and solutions are used to ensure safe, affordable and sustainable communities and buildings worldwide.

About the High Performance Buildings Coalition

The [High Performance Buildings Coalition](http://hpbuildings.org) is a coalition of approximately 200 organizations that provides guidance and support to the High Performance Buildings Caucus of the U.S. Congress. They support legislation and policies that protect life and property, promote innovative building technologies, enhance U.S. economic competitiveness, increase energy and water efficiency in the built-environment, advance sustainable and resilient communities, and support the development of private sector standards, codes and guidelines that address these concerns.