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International Code Council and American Society of Home Inspectors Collaborate to Diversify Workforce and Equip Building Professionals for the Future

New agreement will advance joint initiatives to expand professional development, including training and certification opportunities, for home inspectors and building safety professionals

Washington, D.C. – The International Code Council and the American Society of Home Inspectors (ASHI) recently signed a memorandum of understanding to expand available resources and improve membership opportunities to home inspection and building safety professionals. This new agreement will also further advance joint initiatives between the two organizations to help diversify the workforce.

The Code Council and ASHI will work together to create opportunities for increased collaboration between members of both organizations. This will include access for ASHI members to Code Council certifications and Code Council exam resources. Additionally, ASHI will recognize Code Council training courses as qualifying for ASHI certification renewal certified education units.

"The Code Council knows the importance of, and is committed to, supporting building safety and home inspection professionals. By collaborating with ASHI, we can efficiently and effectively share knowledge, resources and expertise to help meet the goals of our organizations," said Code Council Board of Directors President Michael Wich. "By signing this agreement, we will further our commitment to provide industry professionals with the support they need to succeed, both personally and professionally."

Both organizations will deepen their commitments to creating more opportunities for women to enter the home inspection and building safety fields. Through a collaborative effort, the Code Council and ASHI will participate in events dedicated to advancing women in the profession and support Code Council and ASHI chapters that are focused on these shared goals.

"Recognizing the critical role Code Officials and Home Inspectors play in ensuring our homes and communities remain safe, ASHI is proud to partner with the Code Council to help support the building safety industry," said ASHI Executive Director James Thomas. "We look forward to

working with the Code Council to help grow and diversify the workforce and better equip industry professionals with the tools they need to keep our buildings safe."

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About the International Code Council

The <u>International Code Council</u> 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 American Society of Home Inspectors

The <u>American Society of Home Inspectors</u> strives to keep the home inspection industry at a high standard and creates advancement opportunities for its members. This is accomplished through efforts such as providing educational resources and events, presenting technical information, connecting members with prospective clients, and lobbying on Capitol Hill.