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Hau, mitákuyepi,

Jack Applegate wóuŋspe kiŋ wówašte yuhá. Thášiyagnuŋpa kiŋ oyáte kin iyóthapi k'uŋ hé miyéglake.

(To all my relatives, greetings. Jack Applegate carries good knowledge. His support for tribal nations and communities is something I acknowledge and respect.)

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my strong support for the re-election of Jack Applegate to the International Code Council (ICC) Board of Directors. Jack has consistently demonstrated a deep commitment to the mission of the ICC and to expanding access to building safety resources for all communities, including tribal nations.

Jack's leadership reflects not only technical expertise, but also a sincere dedication to ensuring that historically underrepresented communities have a voice in the code development process. His efforts have helped build lasting partnerships between the ICC and tribal governments, advancing shared goals of safety, sustainability, and self-determination.

I have full confidence that Jack will continue to bring integrity, insight, and inclusiveness to the ICC Board. His re-election would be a benefit to the organization and to the diverse communities it serves.

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Deputy Director

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