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ICC 2025 Nominating Committee Chair Stuart Tom c/o Will Coffman, Deputy General Counsel International Code Council Eastern Regional Office 900 Montclair Road Birmingham, AL 35213 wcoffman@iccsafe.org

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Subject: Letter of Interest - ICC Board of Directors Section B Seat

Dear Chair Stuart Tom and Members of the International Code Council Board of Directors Nominating Committee,

I am writing to express my interest in serving as Section B Director for the International Code Council Board of Directors. With nearly ten years of dedicated experience in building code administration, over ten years in the design and construction industry, coupled with a strong academic background in architecture and public administration, I am confident that I possess the skills and commitment necessary to contribute significantly to the ICC's mission and strategic goals.

My professional journey has provided me with a comprehensive understanding of the complexities and challenges faced by building divisions nationwide. I have served in various capacities, including Senior Plans Examiner, Deputy Building Official, and Building Official, allowing me to develop a holistic perspective on code enforcement and implementation. Additionally, my 10 years of experience in the private sector as a designer and construction project manager span a wide range of construction projects across diverse jurisdictions, fostering an understanding of varying regulatory environments.

My academic qualifications further enhance my ability to serve the ICC. I hold a Bachelor's degree in Architecture, providing a strong foundation in building design and construction principles. Additionally, my Master's degree in Public Administration equips me with the analytical and leadership skills necessary to effectively address the administrative and policy aspects of Board of Directors service.

My fiduciary experience includes directly managing department budgets from \$2.6M to \$4M and project budgets up to \$46M. I have extensive experience with contracts and negotiating the purchase and sale of numerous City properties.

I am deeply committed to the ICC's mission of ensuring public safety through the development and adoption of comprehensive and consistent building codes. I served the former Montana ICC chapter in officer roles of Secretary/Treasurer, Vice President, and President. I am currently a Director at Large for the new Montana ICC chapter and I have participated in the Region II ICC chapter as the Region II President's shadow for the 2018 ICC ABM, and a Board of Directors Shadow for the 2019 ICC ABM. I have also been involved in the state code adoption process for the last two code adoption cycles.

I believe my practical experience, coupled with my academic background, will allow me to contribute valuable insights and perspectives to the board's important work.
Enclosed, please find my resume and letter of support from my jurisdiction.
Sincerely,
Jessica L Fust, CBO, MPA City of Billings Building Official