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International Code Council and Code Enforcement Officer Safety Foundation join forces to support code officials

New agreement facilitates increased collaboration between the two organizations and will lead to additional training and resources for building safety professionals

Washington, D.C. – The International Code Council and Code Enforcement Officer Safety Foundation (CEOSF) signed a memorandum of understanding to share resources and exchange information in support of code official safety. The new agreement will expand career development resources for code officials and increase collaboration between the two building safety organizations.

The Code Council and CEOSF will work together to promote best practices for the safety of code officials, provide resources and up-to-date training that encourages the highest standard of professionalism throughout the building safety community, and recognize code enforcement professionals that have paid the highest price to protect their communities.

"The Code Enforcement Officer Safety Foundation is humbled and excited to gain the support of the International Code Council," said CEOSF President Justin Edson. "The Foundation is focused on promoting the safety of code professionals across the United States through training, sharing resources, and collecting data. This is a common passion that the Code Council and CEOSF both share. The Foundation is grateful for the support from the International Code Council and we look forward to working together to promote the safety of code professionals. The Foundation supports the Code Council's vision and we are honored to be a 'supporting organization' of the Code Council."

"The Code Council has an unwavering commitment to building safety and to those individuals who have dedicated their careers to ensuring our buildings and communities are safe by implementing the latest codes and standards," said Code Council Chief Executive Officer Dominic Sims, CBO. "By signing this agreement, we are proud to help further spread awareness of the special nature and immense value of building safety professionals."

<u>Week 2</u> of the virtual celebration for <u>Building Safety Month</u> spotlights building safety professionals with a focus on training the next generation. Through the week, the Code Council, its members and its partners, will explore the importance of mentorship and networking in the building safety industry and the value of a well-trained workforce for maintaining safe buildings and communities. Learn more about the week two theme and activities <u>here</u>.

To learn more about the importance of code officials to our communities, visit <u>www.iccsafe.org/about/value-of-the-code-official/</u>. Watch the "Value of the Code Official" video <u>here</u>.

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 Code Enforcement Officer Safety Foundation

The <u>Code Enforcement Officer Safety Foundation</u> exists to promote best practices for the safety of Code Enforcement Officer throughout the United States; to provide a resource for officers; report incidents; provide up-to-date training and to encourage a high standard of professionalism within our chosen profession.