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# The International Code Council joins the Copyright Alliance as its newest member

The Code Council joins a growing list of organizations advocating policies to promote and preserve the value of copyrights and protect the rights of creators and innovators

**Washington, DC** – The International Code Council has joined the Copyright Alliance as its newest member to help bolster copyright protection efforts for codes and standards. The Copyright Alliance represents the copyright interests of over 2 million individual creators and 15,000 organizations across the spectrum of copyright disciplines.

"We are very pleased to partner with the Copyright Alliance, and with its member organizations, as we work toward ensuring that codes and standards—which are essential to public health, safety, and security—continue to be effectively protected by copyright," said Mel Oncu, Code Council General Counsel. "This is an opportunity to connect with other stakeholders and understand and represent their needs as well."

Regarding the Code Council joining the Copyright Alliance, CEO Keith Kupferschmid stated, "We are thrilled to have the Code Council join us as a member and welcome their wealth of experience in the area of copyrightability of codes and standards. We look forward to working with Mel Oncu, and with all the Code Council's staff and constituents, as we continue to fulfill our mission of educating the public on the importance and value of copyright to all industries, including codes and standards."

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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 Copyright Alliance**

The <u>Copyright Alliance</u> is a non-profit, non-partisan public interest and educational organization representing the copyright interests of over 1.8 million individual creators and over 13,000 organizations in the United States, across the spectrum of copyright disciplines. The Copyright

Alliance is dedicated to advocating policies that promote and preserve the value of copyright, and to protecting the rights of creators and innovators.	