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Mr. Michael P. Wich, Chairman ICC Nominating Committee c/o Dominic Sims, CEO International Code Council 900 Montclair Road Birmingham, AL 35213

Dear Mr. Wich:

I write to you to express my support for Benjamin R.K. Breadmore's re-election to the International Code Council (ICC) Board of Directors. Mr. Breadmore's work with the Town of Holden and his experience with the ICC make him an immensely qualified candidate for this position.

As the Chief Building Official and Town Manager of Holden, Maine, Mr. Breadmore has overseen a period of exceptional growth—near 40%—for the town. During his nine-year tenure as Town Manager, the town's taxable municipal value has increased more than \$165 million. This is an astonishing accomplishment for a town with a population of just over 3,000 people. His leadership has been instrumental in increasing the town's economic vitality, and he is well respected by his colleagues and the residents he serves.

Additionally, serving as both Chief Building Official and Town Manager has given Mr. Breadmore unique insight with respect to zoning and planning processes, as well as code and inspection requirements. The breadth of his expertise has been of tremendous benefit to the ICC, and he has served on a number of Committees and drafted Chapter 7 of the Building Development Administration handbook. He also offers important regional perspective. Out of 18 Board Members, he was the only representative from New England, served the smallest jurisdiction, and became the first ICC Board member from the State of Maine.

I am confident that Mr. Breadmore will continue to be an effective leader for the people of Holden, and a valuable contributor to the ICC. With this in mind, I am pleased to support his re-election effort to the ICC Board of Directors. Please contact me or my staff directly at (207) 945-0417 should you have any concerns or questions.

Sincerely,

Susan M. Collins United States Senator

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