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International Code Council

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Dear Nominating Committee,

I am writing to state my support for John (JC) Hudgison for International Code Council (ICC) Section F Director. I have had the pleasure of knowing John both professionally and personally for many years, and I am confident in his exceptional abilities and character.

Professionally, I have known John from his tenure as the Building Official at the Columbus Consolidated Government, where he served with distinction. His leadership skills were further exemplified when he assumed the role of President of the West Georgia Inspectors Association (WGIA). John's extensive background in architecture, construction management, and building safety is impressive, to say the least. He holds a Bachelor of Architecture & Design from the University of Tennessee and a Master's in Public Administration from Troy University. John's certifications as a Certified Building Official (CBO), Building Code Administrator, and Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM) are testaments to his expertise and commitment to his field.

John's professional journey is marked by significant accomplishments and responsibilities. Currently, as the Construction Services Manager and Chief Building Official for the City of Tampa, FL, he oversees building and site plan reviews, permitting, and inspection processes, ensuring compliance with a myriad of codes. His previous roles include Director of Building Inspections and Code Enforcement and Project Administrator for the City of Columbus, GA, where he managed numerous capital improvement projects and coordinated training programs for enforcement officers.



Beyond his professional achievements, I have also had the pleasure of knowing John through his volunteer work. He has been actively involved with the Columbus Youth Soccer League and the Georgia Soccer Association, demonstrating his dedication to community service and youth development. His ability to balance his demanding professional responsibilities with meaningful volunteer work speaks volumes about his character and work ethic.

John's contributions to the field of building safety and resilience extend to his involvement at local, state, and national levels. He serves on various committees and boards, including the National Institute for Building Sciences (NIBS). His accolades, such as the ICC's prestigious Emory R. Rodgers Leadership in Building Safety Fellowship and being named a Volunteer 40 Under 40 by the University of Tennessee, highlight his leadership and impact in the industry.

In conclusion, John Hudgison is a highly capable, dedicated, and compassionate individual. His extensive experience, professional certifications, and volunteer efforts make him an outstanding candidate for ICC Section F Director. The Board Members of the West Georgia Inspectors Association (WGIA) wholeheartedly endorse John and are confident that he will continue to excel and contribute positively to the International Code Council (ICC).

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

William Hart, CBO

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