

## WASHINGTON STATE Association of Permit Technicians ESTABLISHED 1995

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Mr. Michael P. Wich, Nominating Committee Chairman International Code Council, Birmingham District Office 900 Montclair Road Birmingham, AL 35213

## RE: WASHINGTON STATE ASSOCIATION OF PERMIT TECHNICIANS CHAPTER ENDORSEMENT

I am writing on behalf of the Washington State Association of Permit Technicians (WSAPT) to enthusiastically support Mr. Jim Sayers for the position of Secretary/Treasurer on the ICC Board of Directors. Over the years he has demonstrated an exceptional level of dedication, leadership, and expertise within the Code Council, making him an outstanding candidate for this important role.

Since joining the ICC Board of Directors, Mr. Sayers has been a driving force behind the significant growth and success of the Code Council. His extensive experience on various ICC Board committees, including the Budget Committee, Audit Committee, CEO Evaluation Committee, Bylaws Committee, Awards Committee, Honorary Member Committee, and Resolutions Committee, has equipped him with a deep understanding of the organization's operations and strategic goals.

As a liaison to chapters in Regions I and II, as well as several states, he has fostered strong relationships and demonstrated a keen ability to balance the needs of the Code Council and its members. His work with the Sustainability Membership Council, Global Membership Council, Fire Service Membership Council, and the International Accreditation Service further highlights his commitment to advancing the mission of the ICC.

Equally noteworthy are Mr. Sayers contributions to the Oregon Building Officials Association and ICC Region II. His tenure as Region II President was marked by the receipt of numerous accolades, including the Region Spotlight Award, the IAS Service Award, OBOA Plans Examiner of the Year, Region II Dedication and Service Award, Region II Lifetime Honorary Member, Oregon Permit Technicians Lifetime Honorary Member, and NFPA Committee Service Award, all of which underscore his exceptional service and dedication.

The ICC faces significant challenges, including protecting intellectual properties, mentoring and training the next generation of Code Officials, and onboarding a new CEO. We believe Mr. Sayers is well-prepared to tackle these challenges head-on. His readiness to serve positions him well as a leader who can guide the Code Council through both challenges and opportunities with integrity and vision.

It is with great pride that WSAPT wholeheartedly endorses Mr. Jim Sayers candidacy and urges the committee to consider his exemplary record and unwavering commitment to the ICC. We are confident that he will perform the duties of Secretary/Treasurer with honor, contributing significantly to the continued success of the ICC.

Sincerely,

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