

October 26, 2010

Lawrence City Commission Mayor Mike Amyx 6 E. 6th Lawrence, KS 66044

Dear Mayor Amyx and Commissioners,

The Lawrence Home Builders Association supports the adoption of the ordinances related to the 2009 International Codes.

The City of Lawrence has a very fair code review process. The LHBA has given input to various trade boards on several issues as they reviewed their respective code. We hosted presentations to our membership by city building inspectors on the 2009 I-Code changes and were given the opportunity for questions and comment at that time. We also have open and regular dialogue with the Building Safety Manager to discuss any code concerns as identified by either the City or the LHBA. The review process has been comprehensive and inclusive.

Although there are certainly specific codes that are a challenge for the building community, we strive to be educated and compliant. If it becomes apparent through the application of 2009 I-Codes that further consideration is warranted on specific codes, we will work with the Development Services Division and trade boards to identify solutions that are consistent with the intent of the 2009 I-Codes.

It is with confidence that we state the housing stock in Lawrence, Kansas, is built using a high standard of building codes ensuring health, safety, welfare, and energy efficiency for our residents and their homes.

Sincerely,

Bobbie Flory

Executive Director