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Dear Chief Building Official Shicheng Tao,

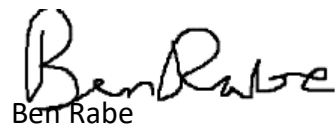
On behalf of the *Resilient Southwest Building Code Collaborative*, New Buildings Institute (NBI) wishes to express the Collaborative's strong support for the City of Chandler's adoption of the 2024 I-Codes, including the 2024 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC). This code package, which was recently approved by the City of Chandler Board of Appeals on 9/12/2024, is a testament to the collaborative efforts of the Board, stakeholders, and city staff. The adoption of the 2024 IECC represents a significant step forward in enhancing the quality of life for Arizona citizens while addressing the needs of builders and customers alike; a commitment fully shared and supported by the Collaborative.

The Collaborative believes that adoption of the 2024 IECC not only prioritizes the best interests of all parties involved but also strategically mitigates unnecessary increases in construction costs. This alignment with the Collaborative's mutual goals is commendable and reflects the thoughtful consideration given to both current and future impacts, not just on your community, but also for the collective health and prosperity of our state. As part of our grant-funded work, the Collaborative will be offering free IECC training and energy specialist certification opportunities that can support your staff in implementing the 2024 IECC once adopted.

We fully encourage the adoption of the 2024 I-Codes, including the 2024 IECC, per the accompanying documentation being provided to the City of Chandler Council for review and approval. The Collaborative feels the goal having the ordinance passed by December 2024 is both ambitious and achievable, especially as members of the Collaborative are also working toward local 2024 IECC adoption.

Thank you for the continued commitment to improving your community, which benefits all of us in Arizona. We look forward to the positive outcomes these amendments will bring and remain available to assist in any way necessary to facilitate their approval.

Sincerely,



Ben Rabe

Associate Director, NBI

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