

**Southern Nevada
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Builders Association**

November 30, 2009

Mayor Oscar Goodman
Members of the City Council
City of Las Vegas
400 E. Stewart Avenue
Las Vegas, NV 89101

RE: Bill No. 2009-48 (International Energy Conservation Code)

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

Bill No. 2009-48 (International Energy Conservation Code), which is on the City Council agenda for adoption, has been extensively reviewed by an area-wide committee of representatives from the public and private sector.

SNHBA representatives are pleased to have been a part of this review and supports the adoption of the IECC with amendments as set forth in Bill No. 2009-48 with the added condition, as agreed to by your Building Official Chris Knight, that the effective date of the code will be: July 6, 2010.

This effective date is necessary for both the public and private sector to prepare and train personnel for code implementation including education training of construction, inspection, architectural and engineering, and plan review. It will also require new drawings in areas covered by the code and new plan check for those drawings. These and other issues will take time to fully implement and why we have agreed with the building officials on a July 6, 2010 bill effective date.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments and our thanks to Chris Knight and his personnel for working with industry on the code.

Sincerely,



Irene Porter
Executive Director

Cc: Betsy Fretwell, City Manager
Chris Knight, Building Official
Connie Suckling, SNHBA

Submitted at City Council

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