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Chair Barnes, Vice Chair Bough, and Members of the NP&D Committee:

I am writing as a concerned resident of Kansas City, MO who cares deeply about the future of my community and understands the need for our local leaders to do everything possible to address the climate crisis. In my effort to follow the city's work to further equitable climate action in the city, I understand the urgent need for cities to adopt strong building energy codes as a strategy we MUST take in order to reduce the carbon footprint of buildings while making sure they are built to lower utility bills and keep residents healthy.

With this in mind, and to help protect my family, friends, and neighbors, I call on the Kansas City, MO City Council to adopt the 2021 International Energy Conservation Code with no weakening amendments by passing Ordinance 220364, amended to include support for electric and renewable appliances (a Decarbonization Overlay). This will save people and businesses money, reduce indoor air pollution, and drastically reduce our greenhouse gas emissions. Taking this action right now will help ensure that our children and future generations can thrive in a community that has clean air and healthy homes.

Kansas City has been leading in climate action and over the last few years has taken major steps to lead the way in building thriving communities and enacting policies that protect its people—including zero-fare transit, a tenants' right to counsel, and a visionary climate plan, to name just a few. **Just last month, the City Council voted 11-1 to adopt a Climate Protection & Resiliency Plan that included an express commitment to enacting the 2021 IECC with no weakening amendments.**

This is Kansas City's moment to lead once again in responding to community needs and centering human health and well-being. The community is behind you and will work across the city and metropolitan region to ensure the code is implemented and that we continue to build a healthier, more resilient, and thriving Kansas City. **Please adopt the 2021 IECC + Decarbonization Overlay** in line with our climate protection goals.

Thank you for your time.

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