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FOREWORD

The promulgation of this Code is a major step forward in the formulation of a building regulatory system, which will have an impact on both the public and private sectors.

This system will consist of the promulgation and maintenance of this statewide, mandatory uniform building code applicable to all buildings and structures; the establishment of a state mechanism for the approval of all new construction materials, devices and techniques; the establishment of a mechanism for state inspection and certification of manufactured buildings, building components and mobile homes; the training and certification of all building code officials; and the coordination of all state agencies having a direct or indirect bearing on this Code through the Technical Code Council whose function is to prevent problems of overlapping jurisdictions and fragmentation of administration.

More significantly, however, this system places the state on record as a proponent of technological change in an industry whose impact is both profound and pervasive on every citizen of the Commonwealth. Through the implementation of this system, the State will fulfill a most important obligation -- that of promoting an improved quality of life in the most cost-efficient manner possible.

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CODE REVISION PROPOSAL FORM

DATE: _____

Building Code Section No. _____ Code Change No. _____

Proponent (Name) _____

(Address) _____

_____ Change subsection as follows.

_____ Delete subsection and substitute as follows.

_____ Add new subsection as follows.

_____ Delete subsection - no substitution.

PROPOSED CODE AMENDMENT:

SUPPORTING STATEMENT(S):