



# Society of Fire Protection Engineers

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## ***Resolution*** ***Society of Fire Protection Engineers***

### A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A CHANGE TO THE INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE TO REQUIRE FIRE SPRINKLERS IN ONE- AND TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS AND TOWN HOMES

WHEREAS the *Society of Fire Protection Engineers* is an organization dedicated to public safety, and

WHEREAS the *Society of Fire Protection Engineers* considers it unacceptable that in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, more than 3,000 people in the United States are killed in fires each year, with an overwhelming number of these deaths occurring in homes, and

WHEREAS the *Society of Fire Protection Engineers* desires to have a positive and consequential impact on reducing the nation's losses due to fire, and

WHEREAS the *Society of Fire Protection Engineers* recognizes that fire sprinklers represent a proven, reliable, efficient and effective method of protecting life and property in both commercial and residential occupancies,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

- 1) The *Society of Fire Protection Engineers* supports the approval of recommended modifications to the International Residential Code to require the installation of fire sprinkler systems in all residential structures, and
- 2) Members of *Society of Fire Protection Engineers* who are eligible to vote are hereby encouraged to attend the ICC Final Action Hearing in Rochester, New York from May 21-26, 2007 to cast their votes in favor of modifications to the International Residential Code to require the installation of fire sprinkler systems in all residential structures.

Ray Grill, P.E., President SFPE, March 14, 2007

***Advancing the Science and Practice of Fire Protection Engineering Internationally***

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