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Commissioner,

On Monday, March 19th you have a very important decision to make. As President of the Coeur d'Alene Association of Realtors® and a born and raised Coeur d'Alene resident I implore you to retain our current procedure of requiring that building codes be mandated for residential construction in Kootenai County and to adopt the most recent version of Idaho State approved building code as supported by Commissioner Chris Fillios.

The impacts, both intentional and unintentional, of allowing construction without code requirement are far reaching. Ramifications from substandard construction on future owners is immeasurable! Potential issues with financing homes not built to code, issues with public safety, devaluation of real estate in general and insurability of substandard housing are all possible outcomes of altering our current requirements of following Idaho State approved building codes. In addition, with no red-line process that comes with current building permit application, there is no "check point" to alert builders and land owners when engineering is required.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tom Torgerson', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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