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Submitted VIA email: mo.madani@myfloridalicense.com

Mo Madani
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RE: Support for Glitch #3 Proposal for the 8th Edition (2023) of the Florida Building Code

Dear Mr. Madani:

The Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute (AHRI) submits this letter in support of the approval of Glitch #3 Proposal for the 8th Edition (2023) of the Florida Building Code (FBC), which was submitted on June 25th, 2024, by the Broward County Board of Rules and Appeals (BORA).

AHRI represents more than 330 manufacturers of air conditioning, heating, and refrigeration equipment. It is an internationally recognized advocate for the heating, ventilation, air conditioning, commercial refrigeration (HVACR), and water heating industry and certifies the performance of many of the products manufactured by its members. In North America, the annual economic activity resulting from the HVACR industry is more than \$211 billion. In the United States alone, AHRI member companies, along with distributors, contractors, and technicians employ more than 704,000 people.

Updating the FBC to the latest edition of ASHRAE 15 (2022 edition) will help to eliminate any market confusion regarding the allowance of the installation of new HVACR equipment using new A2L refrigerants. AHRI supports this proposal based on all the reasons put forth by the Broward County Board of Rules and Appeals.

AHRI respectfully asks the Commission to approve Glitch #3 Proposal to ensure that consumers and businesses enjoy uninterrupted access to the latest HVACR equipment. If you have any questions, then please contact me at the phone number listed below.

Regards,

Thomas J. Deary
Director of Codes
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