



# PARADE

## Prevention Advocacy Resources and Data Exchange

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### A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE REQUIREMENT FOR FIRE SPRINKLERS IN ONE- AND TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS AND TOWNHOUSES

**WHEREAS**, those members attending the 5<sup>th</sup> National Conference of the Prevention Advocacy Resources and Data Exchange (PARADE), an organization whose mission is to identify all aspects of fire prevention critical to protection of life and property, identify best practices within Regions and provide for dissemination of those practices; and

**WHEREAS**, PARADE consists of members of the fire prevention community involved in enforcement of fire laws and regulations to ensure the safety of the public; and

**WHEREAS**, PARADE members consider 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**, PARADE members desire to have a positive and consequential impact on reducing the nation's losses due to fire, and

**WHEREAS**, PARADE members recognize that fire sprinklers represent a proven, reliable, efficient and effective method of protecting property and life of civilians and firefighters.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, PARADE members support the adoption of the 2009 International Residential Code requirements for fire sprinkler systems in all new residential structures.

This resolution adopted May 16, 2009, Emmitsburg, Maryland.

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