

WHEREAS, the City of Madison has an interest in providing housing options to people with disabilities that are fully accessible, inclusionary, and affordable; and

WHEREAS, the Administration on Aging projects the number of people age 65 and older is expected to increase 80% by 2030, representing 19.3% of the overall U.S. population; and

WHEREAS, the University of Florida Warrington College of Business published a report which projects the number of people with a long-lasting condition that substantially limits one or more physical activity is expected to increase by 38% by 2030, representing 10.5% of the overall U.S. populations, and the number of people with a condition lasting six months or more in which creates activity limitations is expected to increase by 41% by 2030, representing 4% of the population; and

WHEREAS, the current limitations under the International Building Code and the State of Wisconsin building code don't allow for municipalities to set their own standard.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Madison's Commission on People with Disabilities has determined that ten percent of all housing be fully accessible in order to meet the needs of our growing population; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a copy of this resolution be transmitted to: Wisconsin Department of Commerce, Safety and Buildings Division; Chair and Ranking Minority Member, Wisconsin Senate Committee on Insurance and Housing; Chair and Ranking Minority Member, Wisconsin Assembly Committee on Housing; and Wisconsin Council on Physical Disabilities; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the Commission on People with Disabilities recommends a change in the international and state building codes.