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## Letter of Institutional Adhesion Draft Declaration of World Fire Safety Day

Dear Sirs,

The International Fire Safety Standards Coalition, headquartered in London, UK and whose purpose is to further standards, guidance, training, awareness, and a reduction in fires and fatalities/injuries globally, hereby expresses its strong support to the international initiative that seeks to establish **October 8** as an annual **World Fire Safety Day**, through its official inclusion in the United Nations (UN) calendar of international dates.

We recognize that fire safety is an essential component in protecting lives, property, natural and cultural heritage, as well as strengthening the resilience of communities, businesses, and institutions in the face of emergencies. Through this support, we highlight the relevance of having a global commemorative date that allows:

- Raise awareness among the population and decision-makers about the risks and consequences of fires.
- Promote good practices, regulations, technological innovation and preventive culture at all levels of society.
- Promote international cooperation, technical training and capacity building in this area.
- Generate a common space for education, training and response campaigns, programmes and activities.

The purpose of this support is to add our voice and commitment to the efforts made before the United Nations by the proposing entities, and to strengthen multisectoral and international support for this proposal, which we consider necessary, timely and of global impact.

Without further particular, we express our total willingness to collaborate in the promotion and dissemination of this initiative, and we remain attentive to the progress that arises in its processing.

Signed:

Mr Gary R Strong Chair on behalf of International Fire safety Standards (IFSS) Coalition London, UK 09 Sep 2025