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Dear ASHRAE Member,

The ASHRAE Epidemic Task Force was honored to receive a letter of appreciation from the EPA, Indoor Environments Division Director Johnathan Edwards. As Director Edwards writes,

“This letter is to recognize and express deep appreciation for the work of the [Epidemic] Task Force. In March of 2020, ASHRAE was among the first major organizations to publicly recognize the potential for transmission of the SARS-CoV-2 virus in indoor air. ASHRAE leaders promptly put together an Epidemic Task Force to provide and consolidate technical resources to help address the COVID-19 pandemic. These technical resources on how to manage and upgrade ventilation and other building systems in a variety of built environments provided critical information and guidance to the general public, building managers and owners, government agencies, and a myriad of other stakeholders across the globe.”

[Read his full statement here.](#)

Congratulations to all the members of the ETF. Your work exemplifies the volunteer wisdom and dedication that drives ASHRAE - “a luminous example of public service and commitment to public health” in the words of Director Edwards. We want to say a special thank you to our grassroots members who helped implement the design guidance that was developed by the ETF.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mick Schwedler". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mick Schwedler, P.E., Fellow ASHRAE, LEED AP
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