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SUPPORT FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 1465

Dear Chairman Larson and Senate Industry and Business Committee Members,

Landscape architecture became formally recognized as a licensed profession in the United States during the 1950s and it wasn't until the early 2000's when the landscape architects title and practice act was signed into law in North Dakota. Since then, there have been over 170 landscape architects who have applied and become licensed to practice within North Dakota. There are currently over 120 active licenses held in North Dakota.

Landscape architecture is regulated by the State Board of Architecture and Landscape Architecture. The Board currently consists of 3 Architect members. The amended bill would add one Landscape Architect and one public member.

Because of the breadth and scope in which our profession is able to practice and the growth of newly licensed professional landscape architects in our State, it is an opportune time to add a qualified Landscape Architect to the State Board of Architecture and Landscape Architecture which oversees and governs our profession.

Thank you for your consideration and support of House Bill 1465. We ask that you provide a DO PASS recommendation to the amended bill.

Kind Regards,

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