

SENATE RESOLUTION No. ____

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION recognizing landscape architects and recognizing April 2020 as "World Landscape Architecture Month" (WLAM).

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MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION recognizing landscape
2 architects and recognizing April 2020 as "World Landscape
3 Architecture Month" (WLAM).

4 *Whereas, April 2020 is "World Landscape Architecture*
5 *Month" (WLAM), which is a month-long opportunity to*
6 *celebrate landscape architecture and designed public spaces*
7 *which complement our natural environment throughout the*
8 *world;*

9 *Whereas, Landscape architecture encompasses the*
10 *analysis, design, planning, management, and stewardship of the*
11 *national and built environment;*

12 *Whereas, Indiana and its citizenry benefit from the licensed*
13 *practice of landscape architecture, assuring the design of*
14 *healthy, equitable, safe, and resilient public and private*
15 *outdoor spaces;*

16 *Whereas, Landscape architects, as licensed professionals,*
17 *have a responsibility to protect public health by creating*
18 *accessible spaces such as public plazas, parks, schools,*
19 *residential common areas, playgrounds, and trails that lead to*

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1 *active lifestyles and healthy communities;*

2 *Whereas, Landscape architects, as licensed professionals,*
3 *have a responsibility to protect public safety by applying land*
4 *design skills, technical knowledge, and conservation techniques*
5 *that ensure the safety of individuals and communities;*

6 *Whereas, Landscape architects are licensed in all 50 states,*
7 *the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency issues licenses to*
8 *those who have met the specified education, examination, and*
9 *experience requirements necessary for protecting public health,*
10 *safety, and welfare;*

11 *Whereas, Science, technology, engineering, and*
12 *mathematics (STEM) knowledge are at the core of the*
13 *professional practice of landscape architecture and informs*
14 *landscape architects as innovators, educators, researchers, and*
15 *leaders who can solve the most pressing challenges facing*
16 *Indiana communities;*

17 *Whereas, Landscape architects promote security and safety*
18 *through transportation design and planning of multi-use*
19 *transportation corridors that accommodate all users, including*
20 *pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists, people with disabilities, and*
21 *people who use public transportation; while also protecting*
22 *sidewalks, public plazas, and other vulnerable outdoor areas*
23 *from potential attackers and security threats;*

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25 *Whereas, Landscape architects are leaders in creating*
26 *resilient and green infrastructure designs addressing erosion*
27 *and sediment control, storm water management, and strategies*
28 *to mitigate the effects of sea level rise and flood waters, thus*
29 *allowing communities to better withstand and respond to severe*
30 *weather events thereby lessening the need for state and local*
31 *funds and resources in disaster recovery efforts;*

32 *Whereas, Landscape architects are leaders in creating*
33 *sustainable landscapes, helping to reduce water demand and*



1 *energy consumption, conserve or restore natural resources,*
2 *ensure wildlife habitat, improve air quality, and regulate*
3 *climate;*

4 *Whereas, Landscape architects believe in and prioritize the*
5 *fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all people*
6 *regardless of race, national origin, education level, or income*
7 *with regard to the development and implementation of public*
8 *designs and plans;*

9 *Whereas, Indiana's economy benefits from licensed*
10 *landscape architects through the creation of inviting and safe*
11 *spaces for the public, residents, and tourists alike, while*
12 *simultaneously protecting the environment and associated*
13 *ecological systems; and*

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15 *Whereas, Universities in Indiana have been strong leaders*
16 *in this area with both Ball State University and Purdue*
17 *University recently celebrating the 50th anniversaries of their*
18 *acclaimed and accredited landscape architecture programs.*
19 *These programs prepare students to be the next generation of*
20 *leaders and innovators in landscape architecture in Indiana:*
21 *Therefore,*

22 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the*
23 *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

24 SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate recognizes landscape
25 architects and recognizes April 2020 as "World Landscape
26 Architecture Month" (WLAM).

27 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed
28 to transmit copies of this Resolution to the Troyer Group.

