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Susan L. B. Jacobson, FASLA President, American Society of Landscape Architects 636 Eye St., NW Washington, DC 20001

Dear Susan:

I am writing to express my strong support for the nomination of the Urban Land Institute (ULI) to receive the Landscape Architecture Medal of Excellence.

The ULI has made numerous contributions to the profession of landscape architecture. They publish best practices in their various books and journals, including the fine magazines *Urban Land* and *Urban Land Europe*. ULI supports research and the important multidisciplinary student Hines Urban Design Competition (with a \$50,000 first prize!). The ULI has provided leadership in a broad range of issues including downtown revitalization, greenfield development, land assembly, corridor revitalization, and waterfront development. They influence public policy on these and other important urban issues. ULI has helped raise the bar for quality urban development in the United States.

I encourage the ASLA Executive Committee and Board of Trustees to present the 2004 Landscape Architecture Model of Excellence to the Urban Land Institute.

Sincerely,

Frederick Steiner

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