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ASLA Honors and Awards Advisory Committee American Society of Landscape Architects 636 Eye Street, NW Washington, DC 20001

Dear Committee Members.

Last year it was my distinct honor, as the Trustee of the South Carolina Chapter, to nominate Steve Livingston, ASLA for the LaGasse Medal for a Landscape Architect. Although his nomination was forwarded to the Board of Trustees, he was not selected to receive this honor. This year, the South Carolina Chapter has decided, very wisely, to resubmit Steve's name for this very prestigious award. This year, I have the honor and privilege of supporting that nomination as a proud citizen of Charleston, South Carolina; a member of the South Carolina Chapter of ASLA; and as the ASLA Vice President for Membership.

I feel very strongly that Steve is one of the real unsung heroes of the profession. He is part of that tireless group of public practitioners that make what I do (as well as others like me) possible. Steve works quietly, behind the scenes, creating and managing the projects designed by other landscape architects. I know that the public open space in Charleston is more abundant, better designed, and better maintained because of Steve's commitment over these many years.

He has been a guiding force, working hand in hand with my Mayor, Joe Riley, who will be a keynote speaker at our ASLA Annual Meeting in Ft. Lauderdale and will receive the 2004 Olmsted Medal at that meeting. It seems very fitting that these two partners in the creation and preservation of parks and open space in one of the most livable cities in the country should be honored at the same gathering of the profession. This is a very rare and wonderful opportunity for the profession and for the Society.

Therefore, I wholeheartedly support and endorse Steve Livingston's nomination by my chapter, as submitted by our Trustee, David Lycke, ASLA and urge the Committee to forward this nomination to the Board of Trustees.

Sincerely,

William T. Eubanks, ASLA Director of Urban Design

ASLA Vice President, Membership