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Re: Support of Robert S. Reich
Jot D. Carpenter Medal

Dear Ms. Mitchell,

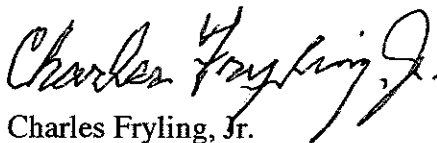
This letter is in support of Dr. Robert S. Reich for the Jot D. Carpenter Medal. I first met "Doc" Reich in the late 1960s at a series of ASLA annual meetings. He was outgoing and encouraging to young landscape architects and made a strong and positive impression on me. In 1967 he invited me to interview for a possible teaching position at Louisiana State University which I accepted and then joined the staff.

Dr. Reich brought together a diverse staff and created a strong Landscape Architecture program at LSU. It was "Doc's" guidance and enthusiasm in the profession that built the program that has made a strong name for itself. As the founder of the program his influence remains strong even today some 22 years after his official retirement. In "Doc's" case, retirement only means that he has become the School's best volunteer – continuing to teach special classes; always meeting with faculty and students to keep the attitude of the School positive; holding a series of ice cream socials at which time stories are told about the importance of our profession; and arranging field trips for our students that showcase landscape projects and unites our alumni with our current students. Dr. Reich is a dedicated educator who inspires everyone in his presence.

"Doc" is a special person in many ways. He is a leader in his church and the Baton Rouge community. He works for world peace, the respect for all people, and the constant improvement of our environment. He is an unselfish and constantly giving person. His design projects meet the test of time and represent the profession with distinction.

Dr. Reich would be a worthy recipient of the ASLA Jot D. Carpenter Teaching Medal.

Sincerely yours,


Charles Fryling, Jr.