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To Whom it May Concern,

**re: Letter of Endorsement for 2004 ASLA Medal
Cameron R. J. Man**

I am honoured to have been asked to write this letter of endorsement. My first experience with Cameron was in 1969 when he interviewed me for a landscape architectural position with the firm of Man, Taylor, Muret, Landscape Architects in Winnipeg. I was a relatively recent graduate of the University of Michigan's MLA program and looking for new challenges at the time. I chose, instead of accepting Cameron's offer, a position as Assistant Professor at the University of Guelph's School of Landscape Architecture, where I remained until 1981.

Good fortune was bestowed upon me when Cam became the Director of the School in Guelph a few years later.

Cameron followed the first Director of the School, Victor Chanasyk, and had extremely large shoes in which to walk. Cameron filled those shoes, engendering trust, satisfaction, excitement, and passion with everyone he came into contact. Cam had a unique style; he directed, but never dictated; he led by giving free rein to as many new and exciting ideas as the faculty and students could conjure; and he made sure that everyone was comfortable with and bought into the ideas before they were put into effect.

A few years later, I was again blessed by having Cameron and a number of other professionals as my fellow partners in two landscape architectural practices, The Landplan Collaborative Ltd. in Guelph, and The Pacific Landplan Collaborative Ltd. in Vancouver. Cam's brilliance led us to opening offices in Nanaimo and Saskatoon, to finding projects in the Caribbean and the US, and to seeking excellence in everything that we did and continue to do.

Cameron has never recognized borders. For him, landscape architecture has no borders; should never have national limitations placed upon it; and should be a world-wide passion. He is the consummate educator; a practising professional with knowledge that we all covet; a practical man in all things, but with a tinge of the outrageous. Nothing is impossible to Cam; no challenge is too great.

I am more than pleased to have been asked to write this letter of endorsement. In my thirty-nine years of practising this wonderful profession, no one has been a more important influence to me than Cameron R. J. Man.

Sincerely,

THE LANDPLAN COLLABORATIVE LTD.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Owen R. Scott".

Owen R. Scott, FCSLA, President