

WHEREAS, landscape architecture encompasses the analysis, design, planning, management, and stewardship of the national and built environment benefitting the State of Colorado by providing healthy, equitable, safe and resilient public and private outdoor spaces; and

WHEREAS, landscape architects, as licensed professionals, protect public health, safety, and welfare by creating accessible spaces that lead to active lifestyles and healthy communities, by applying land design skills, technical knowledge, and conservation techniques, and by designing public and private spaces that provide economic, social, and environmental benefits for people of all ages and abilities to enjoy; and

WHEREAS, in Colorado landscape architects are licensed by the Colorado Board of Landscape Architect; and WHEREAS, landscape architects prioritize the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all people regardless of race, national origin, education level, or income through the development and implementation of thoughtful public designs and plans; and

WHEREAS, landscape architects promote security and safety through transportation design and planning of multi-use transportation corridors that accommodate all users; and

WHEREAS, landscape architects are leaders in creating resilient and green infrastructure designs that allow communities to better withstand and respond to severe weather events and lessening the need for state and local funds and resources in disaster recovery efforts; and

WHEREAS, science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) knowledge is at the core of the professional practice and aid landscape architects in solving some of the most pressing challenges facing Colorado communities; and WHEREAS, Colorado's economy benefits from licensed landscape architects through the creation of inviting and safe spaces for the public, residents, and tourists alike, while simultaneously protecting the environment and associated ecological systems; and

WHEREAS, there are many licensed landscape architects in the state, including Colorado residents; and WHEREAS, The University of Colorado Denver's Master of Landscape Architecture program and Colorado State University's Bachelor of Science in Landscape Architecture program, are accredited landscape architecture programs, catalyzing students to be the next generation of leaders and innovators in landscape architecture in Colorado;

THERFORE, I, Jared Polis, Governor of the State of Colorado, do hereby proclaim April 2022 as

## LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE MONTH

in the State of Colorado.



GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this first day of April, 2022

Jared Polis Governor