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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Reader,

It has been an exciting year with architects becoming more involved in leadership roles in our community, taking their cue from our 2005 program theme "Inspiring Change." Over 40 AIA Indianapolis members actively engaged in the Regional Center Plan 2020. Architects led six of the eight subcommittees in this collaboration with the City of Indianapolis, CAP: Indy Center, and Historic Landmarks. We were also pleased to team with allied organizations like SMPS, the Arts Council of Indianapolis, the Riley Area Development Corporation, the Industry Relations Committee, and the Qualifications Based Selection Coalition.

For the first time, the AIA Ohio Valley Region held its convention in Indiana this year. Our 426 attendees—a record number—ranked the convention 3.38 on a scale of 4.

This year's public involvement also exceeded expectations with key programs such as the Art by Architects exhibit, Reed Kroloff's lecture, and the Spirit & Place event: "An Intimate Taste on Mass Ave." In addition to our biennial Excellence in Architecture design awards, AIA presented a new residential design award at each Home-A-Rama in partnership with the Builder's Association of Greater Indianapolis—another step forward in showcasing good design to consumers. Prior to the home show, an AIA Indianapolis member wrote an article in the *Indianapolis Star* on residential green architecture.

It is important to recognize other members' achievements. Two members were appointed to the State Registration Board; one member won the prestigious AIA Indiana Pierre Award; and several members were nominated to government-appointed boards and committees this year.

AIA Indianapolis again hosted a reception for the City-County Council with over fifty percent of Council members in attendance. We were pleased when our public board director, Councilor Monroe Gray, was elected as the Council's 2006 president. In addition, Mayor Bart Peterson was honored with AIA Indiana's Blackburn Award, recognizing his commitment to fostering excellence in architecture and development.

Our board, representing architects from over 20 firms in our city, continued to demonstrate its commitment to the AIA's mission to serve its members, advance their value, and improve the quality of the built environment. I was honored to be its president in 2005. I thank the board and all our members who continue to make Indianapolis a world-class city.

Sincerely,



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2005 President, AIA Indianapolis

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