ITEM 168-2005-R0915

<u>Request for Authorization to Confer the Title Professor Emeritus of Architecture on Thomas R.</u> <u>Wood, AIA, IES</u>

THAT

Upon the retirement of Professor Thomas R. Wood from the faculty of Montana State University, the faculty wishes to express its appreciation for his service to the University, the Montana University System, and the people of the State of Montana by recommending that the rank of Professor Emeritus be conferred upon him by the Board of Regents of the Montana University System.

EXPLANATION

The faculty of the School of Architecture unanimously requests emeritus status for Professor Thomas R. Wood. Professor Wood will retire in the August 2015 culminating a total of 30 years of service within the School of Architecture at Montana State University. Emeritus status is a highly appropriate way to recognize and to celebrate Professor Wood's leadership and ongoing work on behalf of Montana State University and the architectural profession.

Professor Wood received his Bachelor of Architecture degree from the University of Michigan and his Master of Architecture degree from the University of Colorado. Professor Wood taught the undergraduate environmental controls systems curriculum and graduate courses in high performance buildings throughout his time at MSU. Professor Wood served as the Director of the School of Architecture from 1990-1995 and also served as Acting Assistant Dean in the College of Arts and Architecture.

Since 2005, Professor Wood has served as the Director of the Integrated Design Lab (IDL), which provides daylighting and energy efficiency analysis to Montana's architects and engineers. The Integrated Design Lab is part of a larger lab network throughout the Pacific Northwest. The MSU Integrated Design Lab was recently recognized for their contribution to the Energy Innovation Center (EIC) project at the Idaho National Laboratory, which received the 2014 "Greenest Project" award from the Engineering News Record. He has been invited to present his expertise on high performance building design at conferences and workshops throughout our region. His design work has been recognized with awards in numerous competitions including the Montana Affordable Housing Competition, the Florida Solar Energy Center's Energy Efficient Home Design Competition and the National Passive Solar Design Competition.

Professor Wood has fully engaged in the University's outreach mission having served on many regional and national boards. He served as President of the Montana Board of Architects and Landscape Architects. He was elected to serve as the Regional Chair for the National Council of Architectural Registration Board (NCARB) and made significant contributions to the profession and architectural licensing process through his work on numerous national NCARB committees. Professor Wood was most recently selected as NCARB's representative on the National Architectural Accrediting Board of Directors.

For these and numerous other contributions, the faculty of the School of Architecture is pleased to nominate Professor Tom Wood for the rank of Professor Emeritus of Architecture at Montana State University.

ATTACHMENTS