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Forty Under 40 Selection Committee:

As a former President of the AIA Iowa Board of Directors it is my honor to recommend Jessica Reinert Hon. AIA Iowa, CAE, IOM for the 2018 Forty Under 40 recognition. I am amazed at the poise and leadership she displays during every AIA Iowa Board of Director's meeting. It is without hesitation that I encourage you to recognize her for her high integrity, professional achievements, as well as significant dedication to her community and the profession of Architecture.

It is not a coincidence that AIA Iowa is a well respected and successful Chapter and that Jessica is its Executive Director. 88.5% of Licensed Architects in the State of Iowa are AIA Iowa members. This is a testament to the community that has been built and the benefits provided by AIA Iowa under Jessica's leadership. She is always thinking of strategies and acting on them to better the Architectural Profession in Iowa and in turn nationwide. This is evident by the Council of Architectural Component Executive's honor she received from AIA National in 2013. She was recognized nationally as a force to better the Institute and was invited to share her experiences and vision with AIA National Leadership.

From my experience, every person that Jessica meets and works with is treated with respect as a valued team member whether they are a member, staff person, committee member, section member, board member or member of the general public. We are spoiled by the professionalism she displays and advocacy she performs on our behalf.

It has been my great pleasure to work with Jessica for over 13 years in my varied roles within the Chapter. She is highly dedicated to serving the architectural profession and has raised the bar for other AIA Chapters around the country. I have attended regional meetings with Jessica and she is a steadfast forward thinker and positive influence in every meeting. Jessica is a constant for affecting positive change within the Institute.

It is without reservation that I recommend Jessica Reinert for the Forty Under 40 Award. She is very deserving because of her significant commitment to her community and her professional success with AIA Iowa. We are very lucky to have her as our AIA Iowa Executive Director. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,

Mindy Aust, AIA

AIA Iowa President 2016 AIA Iowa Past President 2017

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