

Proposed Resolutions

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6. 2022 Convention Resolutions

Resolution 22-1

Title International Associate Emeritus Status

Sponsor AIA Orange County

AIA California

Intent To provide International Associate members the same privileges as AIA and

Associate AIA members; that is, that provided they meet the requirements for Emeritus membership, International Associate members may apply for

this category of AIA membership.

Text of Resolution

WHEREAS, Section 2.22 of the AIA Bylaws states: "Individuals without architectural licenses from a U.S. licensing authority who meet the following requirements shall be eligible for International Associate membership in the Institute: Those who have an architectural license or the equivalent from a non-U.S. licensing authority and demonstrate honorable standing in the profession in the locale in which they are licensed. Such persons may be resident within or outside the U.S."; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.012 of the AIA Bylaws, states "Individuals admitted with limited voting status and privileges are called Associates. Unless otherwise provided, the term "Associate member(s)" in these Bylaws shall be understood to include International Associate members. Although Associate members may also hold the title Emeritus, however, International Associate members may not hold that title"; and

WHEREAS, International Associate members include firm leaders and project team members committed to the value of AIA membership through chapter service, mentorship, and diversity; and

WHEREAS, International Associates members bring a varied range of architectural experience, enriching the AIA to create an environment that showcases AIA diversity; and

WHEREAS, the responsibilities and requirements of an International Associate member are similar to that of an AIA member, including completion of AIA's Continuing Education requirements; and

WHEREAS the AIA Strategic Plan specifically addresses the imperative to "'foster equity and a sense of belonging within the profession," and highlights Equity and Inclusion as a Core Value; and

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WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the AIA to expand member engagement and ensure opportunities for all members as advocates in the profession.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the AIA Board of Directors will present an amendment to the AIA Bylaws for consideration by the delegates at the AIA 2023 Annual Meeting, that will allow International Associates to apply for International Associate Emeritus membership.