

The Honorable [First and Last Name of the Member of Congress]
United States House of Representatives/ United States Senate

**Insert Date** 

Dear Representative/ Senator [Last Name]:

Thank you for meeting with us on February 15, 2023 as part of the American Institute of Architects (AIA)'s 2023 Lobby Day. We greatly appreciate your time and your attention to the design community and our federal policy priorities.

As we discussed, AIA supports the Democracy in Design Act. This bipartisan measure would prevent future Administrations from mandating one architectural design style for federal buildings and courthouses across the country. Officially maintaining a style-neutral position respects this country's regional differences and encourages American architectural innovation. We urge you to cosponsor this legislation to protect community input in the design process.

Additionally, AIA strongly supports the Resilient AMERICA Act, which we expect to see reintroduced shortly. This bipartisan legislation would significantly improve the federal government's ability to prepare communities for future natural disaster events. Improving building and community resilience to hazards is critical and we urge you to cosponsor the reintroduction of the Resilient AMERICA Act to advance pre-disaster mitigation, as well as resilient building code adoption and implementation.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact AIA's Federal Relations staff: Kara Kempski (<a href="mailto:karakempski@aia.org">karakempski@aia.org</a>). Thank you again for your time and your consideration of these important issues.

Sincerely,

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