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AIA MICHIGAN ANNOUNCES NEW PUBLIC POLICY DIRECTOR

October 17, 2013- Detroit, Michigan- The American Institute of Architects Michigan has announced that Dennis King, FAIA, FESD, LEED AP, Principal of DMKING Consulting, LLC, will fill the role of Public Policy Director as a consultant to the organization. The Public Policy Director position was created to focus on public awareness, government affairs and fund development.

King is no stranger to AIA Michigan, having served in every executive chair position at both AIA Michigan and AIA Detroit during his decades of volunteering with the organizations. In addition to being President of AIA Detroit in 1984 and President of AIA Michigan in 2007, King has also received the Gold Medal award, the highest honor of a chapter or component, from both AIA Detroit and AIA Michigan and was elevated to AIA Fellowship in 1992. He also serves on the Michigan Architectural Foundation's Board of Trustees.

King noted, "I am tremendously pleased that I have been selected to continue my career-long involvement with AIA Michigan by serving the organization and its membership as the new Public Policy Director.

The effort to meld and support public awareness, government affairs and fund development is a really great idea and an important effort that I embrace wholeheartedly. This is a big responsibility, so I look forward to engaging cooperatively with my colleagues across the State to help heighten the visibility of our profession in the months and years ahead."

In addition to his service to the AIA and the architectural community at large, King brings an impressive professional portfolio to the table. His prominent career at Harley Ellis Devereaux began in 1979 and spanned 34 years including leadership of both project management and business development, ultimately serving as Chairman and CEO of the organization from 1991 through 2010. During his tenure, the firm grew from its historic single office in Detroit to its current national design firm recognition with five locations across three States. He led the company to AIA Michigan Firm of the Year honors in 2000, and was also elected a member of the Engineering Society of Detroit's College of Fellows.

Today, through DMKING Consulting LLC, Dennis offers his savvy business knowledge and experience to established companies, growing organizations, and entrepreneurs interested in improving their bottom line performance through client focus and staff engagement.

The American Institute of Architects Michigan, headquartered in the historic Beaubien House across from the Renaissance Center in downtown Detroit, is dedicated to bringing public attention to the value and importance of architectural excellence and to recognize those whose notable achievements encourage all to make excellence in architecture the standard.

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