GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2007

S SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1035

Sponsors: Senator Queen.

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Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

March 21, 2007

A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY OF FREDERICK LAW OLMSTED AND RECOGNIZING NATIONAL LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE MONTH.

Whereas, Frederick Law Olmsted, born on April 26, 1822, in Hartford, Connecticut, is often credited as the founder of landscape architecture in the United States; and

Whereas, Frederick Law Olmsted designed some of the most recognized gardens and parks in the United States, including Central Park and the United States Capitol; and

Whereas, Frederick Law Olmsted's works in North Carolina include the grounds at the Biltmore Estate in Asheville; and

Whereas, recognizing National Landscape Architecture Month is a fitting memorial to Frederick Law Olmsted and the contributions he made to the landscape architecture profession; and

Whereas, National Landscape Architecture Month celebrates the legacy of the landscape architecture profession and the role of landscape architects in society; and

Whereas, throughout April 2007, landscape architects, state chapters of the American Society of Landscape Architects, and partner organizations will participate in a variety of national, state, and local programs; and

Whereas, the American Society of Landscape Architects, founded in 1899, is the association that represents the landscape architecture profession in the United States; and

Whereas, the Society's mission is to lead, educate, and participate in the careful stewardship, wise planning, and artful design of our cultural and natural environments; and

Whereas, headquartered in Washington, D.C., the Society has grown from 11 original members in 1899 to more than 17,000 members in 48 professional chapters today; and

Whereas, of these members, approximately 80% are in private practice, 15% in local, state, or federal government practice, and 5% in academic practice; and

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Whereas, members' work reflects the variety and breath of the profession, from the design of residential and commercial developments, office building sites, and public parks to public sector comprehensive planning, environmental planning, and town planning; and

Whereas, the American Society of Landscape Architects seeks to improve public understanding of the profession and to advance the practice of landscape architecture through education, communication, publications, online database services, professional interaction, and development; and

Whereas, the American Society of Landscape Architects is the organization authorized to accredit programs of landscape architecture at United States colleges and universities; and

Whereas, the American Society of Landscape Architects also works to advance its ethic and public policies to state, local, and federal decision making bodies, both directly and by working with a broad array of coalitions and organizations with similar goals; Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:

SECTION 1. The General Assembly honors the memory of Frederick Law Olmsted, joins the members of the American Society of Landscape Architects in recognizing April 2007 as National Landscape Architecture Month in North Carolina, and commends all landscape architects in the State of North Carolina for creating the special places in which we live, work, and play.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the North Carolina Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects.

SECTION 3. This resolution is effective upon ratification.