

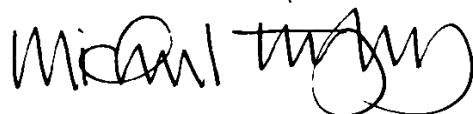
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Dear Committee Members:

I am writing today as a Principal at Bora Architecture & Interiors in support of House Bill 2141. I urge the committee to support this legislation. As a leader in a firm in Portland that practices in both aspects of the design of the built environment I have observed first hand the special skill set and knowledge that is required of certified Interior Design professionals, and support their recognition as significant contributors to our built environment.

I do not believe the amended bill poses a threat to the architectural profession or to the health, safety and welfare of the public. Instead it provides recognition and oversight to the specific skillset and knowledge base of Commercial Interior Design, bringing Oregon into alignment with the majority of states who now provide similar recognition of this profession. It will enhance the health, safety and well being of occupants and the public, while expanding opportunity in our state and supporting professionals to practice to the fullest extent of their education and training, many of which are small businesses. I believe this bill is good for our state and good for the built environment.

Sincerely,



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