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Michael McCulloch, Ph.D., AIA M.Arch. Program Chair Ferris State University 17 Fountain St. NW Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503

Sent via email to michaelmcculloch@ferris.edu

Dear Dr. McCulloch:

At its October 18-19, 2024, meeting, the Board of Directors of the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) reviewed the Plan to Correct submitted by the Master of Architecture (undergraduate architecture degree + 60-66 graduate credit hours; undergraduate non-architecture degree + 90-96 graduate credit hours) at Ferris State University and voted to accept the Plan to Correct and approve the program for the remainder of the term of accreditation.

The Board noted that the program submitted sufficient evidence to demonstrate compliance with the following Conditions for Accreditation previously noted to be out of compliance:

• 5.4 Human Resources and Human Resource Development

The Board's review is included below:

5.4 Human Resources and Human Resource Development

The program must demonstrate that it has appropriate and adequately funded human resources to support student learning and achievement. Human resources include full- and part-time instructional faculty, administrative leadership, and technical, administrative, and other support staff. The program must:

- 5.4.1 Demonstrate that it balances the workloads of all faculty in a way that promotes student and faculty achievement.
- 5.4.2 Demonstrate that it has an Architect Licensing Advisor who is actively performing the duties defined in the NCARB position description. These duties include attending the biannual NCARB Licensing Advisor Summit and/or other training opportunities to stay up-to-date on the requirements for licensure and ensure that students have resources to make informed decisions on their path to licensure.

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- 5.4.3 Demonstrate that faculty and staff have opportunities to pursue professional development that contributes to program improvement.
- 5.4.4 Describe the support services available to students in the program, including but not limited to academic and personal advising, mental well-being, career guidance, internship, and job placement.

Met. The program provided sufficient information to meet the requirements of this Condition. The program provided evidence that demonstrated that it has appropriate and adequately funded human resources to support student learning and achievement.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions at accreditation@naab.org.

Sincerely,

Stephen Schreiber, FAIA, NCARB, DPACSA

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President