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The President,
American Institute of Architects
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Dear Sir:

This is in reply to your circular letter of Aug. 31 requesting "a list of (local) architects who are now, or who have been, active in any substantial degree in the field of city planning and civic design during the past twenty years." It is noted that the list is to include both living and deceased, -- also non-members as well as members of The Institute.

This task is a difficult one inasmuch as you have asked that the list be based on services performed, commissions executed or other service delivered in the past. I feel some hesitation about this task not, however, as regards any of the names which I am submitting but rather because of regret that the list (according to a close interpretation of your instructions) cannot include some others whose ability is such that, had they been given appointments, say, on our City Planning Commission, might have shown special talent in this field.

Furthermore, in submitting the following names, I am providing only certain facts out of the professional experience record of these men and prefer that you, yourself, determine from this record which of the names should be included in your list.

Ralph Fishbourne, Honolulu, Born 1883. Died Jan. 5, 1936. Studied architecture in California to 1903; worked for Miss Julia Morgan and Bakewell & Brown of San Francisco; spent two years from 1910 to 1912 in Architectural Ateliers of Paris, supplemented with travel and study in France and Italy; variously engaged by Warren & Wetmore of New York; Bakewell & Brown and Wm. A. Newman of San Francisco to 1917; carried on a successful practice in Honolulu at first with partners and, later by himself (from 1926 until the time of his death.) Developed and prepared extensive campus plans, involving the realignment and rebuilding of streets, athletic fields, etc., for the University of Hawaii and designed a number of its more prominent and recent buildings. Served on the Architects' Advisory Committee of the City Planning Commission for the past four or more years. Served helpfully, unselfishly and willingly from time to time on various committees of the Hawaii Chapter, A.I.A., which had undertaken studies and reports on matters involving City Planning, Building Code Revisions and Zoning.

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Prof. John Mason Young, Born 1874, graduate of Florida State College 1893 in Engineering and of Cornell University in 1904 with a master's degree in Engineering. Held positions in the East including four years to 1908 as structural engineer and architect with Westinghouse, Church Kerr & Co. Has been a professor of Engineering with the University of Hawaii from 1908 to date. Chief Engineer, Manager and principal owner of the Pacific Engineering Co. which engages in contracting and a consulting practice. Is a registered architect (as well as registered engineer) in the Territory of Hawaii and has served in an advisory and consulting capacity on several public committees and commissions including about 6 years as a member of the City Planning Commission. Assisted Ralph Fishbourne in the development of a Campus Plan for the University of Hawaii. Address: c/o Pacific Engineering Co., Honolulu, T.H.

Charles Will Dickey. Born 1871. Graduate of M.I.T., 1894, in Architecture. Member of Am. Inst. of Architects since 1900. Has practiced architecture in Honolulu and Oakland since about 1895. Has executed some of the largest buildings in Honolulu and conducts a large, active and lucrative architectural practice. One of the associates in the design of Honolulu's City Hall. Has held appointment (by the Mayor) as a member of the City Planning Commission since 1932. Damon Bldg., Honolulu, T.H. of the City Planning Commission since 1931.

Hart Wood. Born 1880. Has been engaged in architectural practice for the past 22 years, of which the first five were in San Francisco and the last 17 in Hawaii. Has been a member of A.I.A. since 1921. Has served both as a member of the City Planning Commission and more recently as a member of the Architects Advisory Committee to the Commission. Has been a faithful worker in the interest of civic improvement especially in promoting a better civic architecture. Address: 2512 Manoa Road, Honolulu, Hawaii.

Yours very truly,

(s) Wm. C. Furer, President
Hawaii Chapter, A.I.A.