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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

CARL ROEHLING, FAIA, WINS ROBERT F. HASTINGS AWARD FROM AIA MICHIGAN

May 26, 2016 – Detroit, Michigan – The American Institute of Architects (AIA) Michigan has selected Carl Roehling, FAIA, for its prestigious Robert F. Hastings Award. He will be honored at the annual Celebration of Architecture on June 10 at The Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn, MI.

The Hastings Award was established in 1978 to recognize a specific outstanding contribution to the architectural profession. Robert F. Hastings, FAIA, was a Detroit architect who rose through the local, state and national components of the American Institute of Architects and became National President in 1970. AIA Michigan created the Award in 1978 in his honor.

Carl Roehling, FAIA, is the former President and Chief Executive Officer of SmithGroupJJR, an international architecture, engineering and planning firm ranked 9<sup>th</sup> largest in the U.S. by *Building Design + Construction* magazine and the oldest firm in the country, founded in Detroit in 1853. As President, Carl was responsible for the strategic direction and marketing of SmithGroupJJR. He stepped down from his role in May of 2015, and continues to practice.

During his 29 years with SmithGroupJJR, Carl has served as principal-in-charge for many of the firm's most notable projects. Among them are Visteon Corporate headquarters in suburban Detroit and Chrysler's Headquarters. He has guided a number of other key projects, including the Detroit branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, the GSA's San Francisco Federal Office Building, and the renovation and expansion of the Detroit Institute of Arts. He was also the executive architect for Comerica Park, home of the Detroit Tigers. He has practiced overseas and locally. He led the master planning for the Makronisos mixed-used development in Cyprus and the Detroit Athletic Club's recent renovations and additions.

Carl is the recipient of the prestigious American Institute of Architects Gold Medal Award – the highest honor the organization can bestow on a member – by two AIA chapters: AIA-Detroit in 1999 and AIA-Michigan in 2006. He received the Michigan Architectural Foundation's inaugural Architecture Leadership Award in 2015. He has served on the Board since 1985.

A graduate of the University of Michigan Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, Carl received a Bachelor's of Science in Architecture in 1973 and a Master's of Science in Architecture in 1975. Today he is active in fundraising for his alma mater.

A life-time Michigan resident, he is married to Barb Roehling and has two married children, Kristin and Carl, as well as, two grandchildren.

The American Institute of Architects Michigan, headquartered in Midtown Detroit, established its awards program to raise public awareness to the value and importance of architectural excellence and to recognize those whose notable achievements encourage all to make excellence in architecture the standard. Visit [www.aiami.com](http://www.aiami.com) or call 313.965.4100 to learn more.

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