Summary Statement

Jonathan Barnes AIA is an innovative community activist architect who dramatically changes communities with transformative design, adaptive preservation, social entrepreneurship and interdisciplinary leadership.

**Transformative Design**
Exhibits 1, 2 and 3

Mr. Barnes creates new models for thriving communities and new interpretations of design in the public realm through innovative, high quality and widely awarded design. He consistently creates a platform for public debate and engages in critical community development issues, always striving for transformational progress toward beautiful, functional, diverse and equitable neighborhoods.

**Adaptive Preservation**
Exhibits 4, 5 and 6

Mr. Barnes advances the national debate on the role of new architectural interventions in existing and historic environments. He eschews the trend of historical replication in favor of a conscious contrast of new and old in social, technological and aesthetic terms. Barnes challenges the sanctity of historic architecture and, indeed, its definition with his use of “parabuilding” to reimagine and reactivate historic structures and their communities. He continues to evolve this global trend through his award winning built work and writing.

**Social Entrepreneurship**
Exhibits 7 and 8

Barnes has developed a pioneering entrepreneurial housing initiative through his non-profit organization, Betterhood. The program causes a paradigm shift in affordable housing and social and financial entrepreneurship through real estate ownership, a landlord education program and new, high-quality, rental housing. Nationally, he influences urban development and the affordable housing market through his writing and public presentations. He directly engages with non-profit organizations, leading their efforts to achieve their goals through project-based initiatives.

**Interdisciplinary Leadership**
Exhibits 9 and 10

Not satisfied with affecting only the architecture profession, Barnes simultaneously engages a broad range of land use disciplines, both students and peers, to share best practices and to impact communities nationally. In Central Ohio, Mr. Barnes single handedly brings together the architecture and development communities. With his simultaneous leadership in the local AIA and ULI chapters, he connects the goals, initiatives and interests of the organizations. As national co-chair of the ULI District Council Chairs for Mission Advancement, he directly influences national and international policy on advocacy for community issues.

Mr. Barnes focuses his professional practice, his civic leadership and his governance of the AIA and ULI organizations to transform communities by creating sustainable urban neighborhoods that are diverse and progressive with equal opportunity for their residents.