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Mayor Ann Campbell Members of the City Council City of Ames 515 Clark Avenue Ames, IA 50010

Dear Mayor and City Council:

The Public Art Commission (PAC) requests your approval of a recent motion and unanimously passed vote regarding the one-year term commissioner position on the PAC. We have voted to recommend changing this one-year term position into a regular three-year term position.

We understand that the original reason for creation of this one-year position was to better attract ISU students to the Commission. However, experience from recent years has shown that students generally do not apply for this opening, so it has routinely been filled by non-students.

There are several reasons for our interest in this change. First, consideration has been given to the fact that recently there has been significant turnover of PAC Commissioners. We are in need of dedicated and committed volunteers that have leadership and experience. Our commission has recently been cut from 16 to 14 members on a commission that is already extremely active and stretched thin. For these reasons we seek your approval of this change. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely, Greg Fuqua and Allison Sheridan Co-chairs