URGENT AMENDMENT NEEDED! HF 4605

- HF 4605 currently precludes Minnesota CERTIFIED INTERIOR DESIGNERS from submitting required documentation via electronic communication, facsimile, or mail.

- HF 4605 ONLY enables licensed architects, engineers, or landscape architects to submit required documentation via electronic communication, facsimile, or mail.

- Under Minnesota Statute Section 326.12 Sub 3:
  
  Each plan, drawing, specification, plat, report, or other document which under sections 326.02 to 326.15 is prepared by a licensed architect, licensed engineer, licensed land surveyor, licensed landscape architect, licensed geoscientist, or certified interior designer must bear the signature of the licensed or certified person preparing it, or the signature of the licensed or certified person under whose direct supervision it was prepared.

- This omission will cripple interior designers’ ability to conduct business by limiting their means of obtaining needed building permits during the COVID-19 crisis and may put interior designers’ lives in danger if they are required to submit design and construction plans in-person.

- Much more than just aesthetic decoration, interior designers showcase the impact of design through the creation of interior construction elements and spaces for where we live, work, play, and heal using data, science, building codes, and regulatory standards. This work REQUIRES the submission of documents to localities.

PLEASE amend HF 4605 to include “Certified Interior Designers” in Section 1(a)4!