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October 19, 1945

Hon. Horace Hildreth, Governor of Maine

Subject: Architectural Competition, State Office Building.

I have read the program for the architectural competition for the State Office Building, and I do not find anything in the program which would be in conflict with or in violation of any of the powers vested in the Building Commission under the act creating the Building Authority. It would appear that the ultimate award is to be made by what is described therein as the "jury of award", which consists of the members of the Commission. "The competition jury," consisting of one representative of the Authority and of four architects merely act in an advisory capacity in the selection of what they deem the best designs and likewise deem the winner of the competition. It is plainly stated, however, in Section 10 that the Building Commission has no legal authority to delegate its powers and consequently the final award must be made by them, although it is hoped that the Commission will approve the choice of the competition jury.

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