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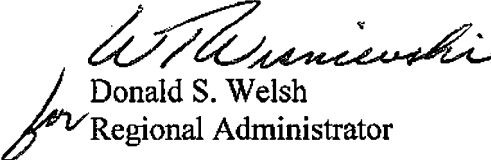
Dear Mr. Goldsmith:

Congratulations! The Aikido in Fredericksburg has been recognized in the *Leadership - NGO Initiatives* category for the **Leadership in Low Impact Development Recognition Program**. I would like to commend you and the Aikido for your leadership in this effort.

The use of low impact development practices offers incentives to integrate stormwater management controls into community development, economic, and environmental protection programs. Pilot project installations, full-scale developments, and academic research have shown low impact development practices to be a technologically-feasible and effective stormwater management approach. Retaining as much stormwater as possible on land, rather than letting it run into storm drains, can help keep harmful flows and pollutants out of our streams and rivers.

Your project will not only benefit your community, but also help to raise awareness of stormwater issues and solutions. In recognition of this achievement, EPA will send a press release to the local newspapers in your area within the next two weeks. Again, congratulations and thank you for your dedication toward stormwater low impact development.

Sincerely,


Donald S. Welsh
Regional Administrator



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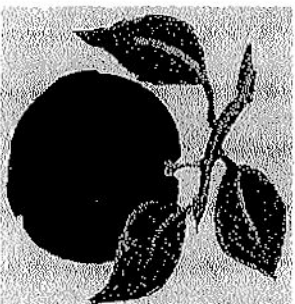
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RE: Aikido Club Dojo

Dear Mr. Goldsmith,

The LID Center would like to recognize Aikido in Fredericksburg as the winner of the Leadership – NGO Initiatives Category in the 2007 LID Recognition Program.

The LID Expert Review Panel Members found your effort to incorporate LID into the construction of your new headquarters facility exemplary. This is the inaugural effort for this program and the leadership you have exhibited will help shape and insure the long term success of LID implementation.

On behalf of the LID Center and the LID Expert Review Panel Members, I have enclosed a plaque to thank you for your time and effort in submitting the LID Recognition application. We applaud your project and wish you continued success in the future.

A list of all winners and project descriptions is available on the LID Recognition Program website at www.lowimpactdevelopment.org/recognition. There will also be an article in the Nov/Dec issue of Stormwater Magazine.

Regards,



Neil Weinstein
Executive Director

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