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Thomas Jefferson's Rotunda at the University of Virginia is one of the most significant examples of neoclassical architecture in the United States. John G. Waite Associates, Architects was engaged to oversee a comprehensive

interior and exterior restoration and renovation of this iconic structure, beginning with the preparation of a historic structure report.

The most spectacular exterior change was the replacement of the marble column capitals. Jefferson's capitals, carved in Italy and destroyed in a 1895 fire, had been replaced with inferior capitals that did not match the appearance or quality of the originals. As part of the restoration, new capitals were carved in Carrara, Italy, by the Pedrini Studio. The new capitals exactly match the

design, craftsmanship, and materials of Jefferson's originals.

University President Teresa A. Sullivan stated, "The Rotunda has served as the heart of Jefferson's academic aspirations for two centuries, and now will be strongly positioned for a third century and beyond".

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