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May 4, 2017

Ms. Lisa B. Harst Legislative Assistant U.S. Senator Tom Cotton 124 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Ms. Harst,

My name is Rachel Patton, and I am the executive director of Preserve Arkansas, Arkansas's statewide historic preservation advocacy group. On behalf of our board of directors, I am writing to support the proposed expansion of the Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site boundary to include the seven homes across the street from the high school. This simple boundary adjustment will encourage the preservation of the seven historic homes in the 1400 and 1500 blocks of Park Street and allow homeowners, on a case by case basis, to enter cooperative agreements with the National Park Service while retaining private property ownership.

We feel that this is an important step in the right direction for the Central High School Neighborhood Historic District as a whole. Please let me know if I may provide further assistance with this initiative.

Sincerely,

Rachel Patton
Executive Director



May 16, 2017

U.S. Senator Tom Cotton ATTN: Lisa Harst 124 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Cotton,

On behalf of the Central High Neighborhood, Inc. (CHNI), I would like to express support for your proposed legislation that would move the boundary of the Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site to include seven properties across the street from the high school.

CHNI is proud to support this initiative, which would recognize the historical significance of seven homes located on the 1400 and 1500 blocks of Park Street. The boundary adjustment encourages proper care and preservation of these homes by allowing property owners, on a case by case basis, to enter into cooperative agreements with the National Park Service.

CHNI understands that property owners will maintain rightful ownership and that the Park Service has no intention to purchase the homes neither now, nor in the future.

CHNI would like to thank you for your work on this very important issue and hopes you will remain engaged with us as your bill advances through the legislative process.

Sincerely,

Whitney Patterson, President

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on behalf of Central High Neighborhood, Inc.

WASHINGTON HERITAGE HOUSE Subject:

Patricia McGraw (mpata@att.net)

To:

mpata@att.net;

Date:

Saturday, March 25, 2017 9:13 AM

WASHINGTON HERITAGE HOUSE 1421 S. PARK STREET LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 72202 (1411, 1417, 1501, etc. Park Street)

MARCH 25, 2017

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: CITYOFFICIALS

DEAR SIR, MADAM: Ms. Harst:

We, the owners of the properties, addresses listed above, located directly across Park Street in front of the famous and renowned educational facility, Little Rock Central High School, wish to express our gratitude and appreciation of all that you do for our neighborhood, our city, and our state, particularly in learning that the National Park Service wishes to expand their boundaries to include our seven houses. It is our belief that our houses add to the beauty and dignity of the structural and environmental beauty. dignity, and grace to this area of Little Rock,

In that we are greatly interested in the continuous celebrated dignity of this site, we are very supportive of direction to expand upon this historic city development, and we appreciate our being included in this significant idea. Please continue to keep us abreast of new developments and ideas which we intend to implement as wished by the city officials, and intend to seek funding to make this dream of our foreparents to come true.

Thanks again for including us, and please take care of yourselves and our city. Love and Deep Appreciation For All That You Do:

Sincerely.

Dr. Patricia Washington McGraw Palmica M. Leave Mrs. Grace Blagdon Stare J. Blydn

Other Concerned Owners