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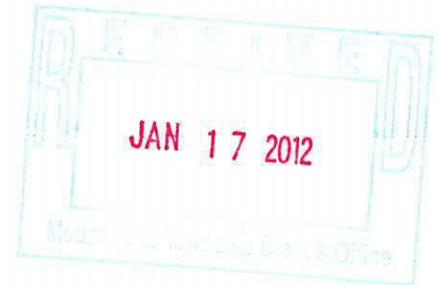
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January 12, 2012

Honorable Rob Greenbaum
Mayor, Mount Olive Township
PO Box 450
204 Flanders-Drakstown Road
Budd Lake, NJ 07828



Dear Mayor Greenbaum:

We are pleased to inform you that Flanders Methodist Episcopal Church, 4 Park Place, Mount Olive Township, Morris County will be considered by the New Jersey State Review Board for Historic Sites for nomination to the New Jersey and National Registers of Historic Places. Both Registers are official lists of historic properties worthy of preservation. Listing in both Registers provides recognition and assists in preserving our Nation's heritage.

Listing provides recognition of the community's historic importance and assures protective review of public projects that might adversely affect the character of the historic property. If the Flanders Methodist Episcopal Church is listed in the National Register, certain federal investment tax credits for rehabilitation and other provisions may apply.

For private property owners, listing in the New Jersey and National Registers does not mean that limitations will be placed on the properties by the State or Federal governments. Within the limits of municipal zoning laws, private property owners are free to utilize, renovate, alter, sell or demolish their properties. Public visitation rights are not required of owners nor will the State or Federal governments attach restrictive covenants to the properties or seek to acquire them. All public undertakings affecting registered properties are subject to review and approval in accordance with New Jersey State Register Law.

You are invited to attend the New Jersey State Review Board meeting on March 13, 2012 at which time the nomination will be considered. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m., in the **Department of Environmental Protection Public Hearing Room, 1st floor, 401 East State Street, Trenton, New Jersey**. A copy of the meeting agenda and a copy of the draft nomination to be considered will be posted on the Historic Preservation Office website; go to www/state.nj.us/dcp/hpo and follow the links to the State Review Board meeting.

Attached please find a notice that explains, in greater detail, the results of listing in the New Jersey and National Registers and that describes the rights and procedures by which an owner may comment on or object to listing.

Should you have any questions about this nomination, please contact this office. If you are planning to attend the State Review Board meeting, please call the Historic Preservation Office a few days ahead to confirm time and meeting place. If you have any special needs, please contact the Historic Preservation Office in advance at (609) 292-0062, so that we can best assist you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Saunders". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letter of each name being capitalized and prominent.

Daniel D. Saunders
Administrator

Enclosure

c. Lisa Lashway, Clerk

RESULTS OF LISTING IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

Eligibility for Federal Tax Provisions: If a property is listed in the National Register, certain Federal tax provisions may apply. The Tax Reform Act of 1986 revises the historic preservation tax incentives authorized by Congress in the Tax Reform Act of 1976, the Revenue Act of 1978, the Tax Treatment Extension Act of 1980, the Economic Recovery Tax Act of 1981, and the Tax Reform Act of 1984, and as of January 1, 1987, provides for a 20-percent investment tax credit with a full adjustment to basis for rehabilitating historic commercial, industrial, and rental residential buildings. The former 15-percent and 20-percent Investment Tax Credits (ITCs) for rehabilitations of older commercial buildings are combined into a single 10-percent ITC for commercial or industrial buildings built before 1936. The Tax Treatment Extension Act of 1980 provides Federal tax deductions for charitable contributions for conservation purposes of partial interests in historically important land areas or structures. Whether these provisions are advantageous to a property owner is dependent upon the particular circumstances of the property and the owner. Because tax aspects outlined above are complex, individuals should consult legal counsel or the appropriate local Internal Revenue Service office for assistance in determining the tax consequences of the above provisions. For further information on certification requirements, please refer to 36 CFR 67.

Consideration in Planning for Federal, Federally Licensed, and Federally Assisted Projects: Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 requires that Federal agencies allow for the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation to have an opportunity to comment on all projects affecting historic properties listed in the National Register. For further information, please refer to 36 CFR 700 et. seq.

Consideration on Issuing a Surface Coal Mining Permit: In accordance with the Surface Mining and Control Act of 1977, there must be consideration of historic values in the decision to issue a surface coal mining permit where coal is located. For further information, please refer to 36 CFR 700 et. seq.

Qualification for Federal Grants for Historic Preservation when Funds are Available: Presently, funding is unavailable.

RESULTS OF LISTING IN THE NEW JERSEY REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

Consideration in the planning for municipal, county, and State assisted projects. The State, a county, municipality, or any of their agencies or instrumentalities cannot undertake any project that will encroach upon, damage, or destroy a State Register property without approval from the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection. Review and authorization procedures which will be followed in accordance with N.J.S.A. 13:1B-15.131 are outlined in Subchapter 7 of N.J.A.C. 7:4 7.1 et seq. "Procedures Concerning the New Jersey Register of Historic Places

DESIGNATION BY THE PINELANDS COMMISSION

Historic resources within the Pinelands which are listed on the New Jersey or National Registers of Historic Places are also designated as historic resources of significance to the Pinelands; and subject to treatment prescriptions of the N.J.A.C. 7:50-6.156. For further information, please contact the Pinelands Commission, P.O. Box 7, New Lisbon, New Jersey 08064 or call them at (609) 894-9342.

RIGHTS OF OWNERS TO COMMENT AND/OR TO OBJECT TO LISTING IN THE NEW JERSEY AND NATIONAL REGISTERS

Owners of private properties nominated to the National Register have an opportunity to concur with or object to listing in accord with the National Historic Preservation Act and 36 CFR 60. Any owner or partial owner of private property who chooses to object may submit, to the State Historic Preservation Office, a notarized statement certifying that the party is the sole or partial owner of private property and objects to the listing. Each owner or partial owner of private property has one vote regardless of the portion of the property that the party owns. If a majority of private property owners object, a property will not be listed. In the case of a historic district, if 51% of the private property owners object, the district will not be listed in the National Register.

However, the State Historic Preservation Officer shall submit the nomination to the Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places for a determination of eligibility of the property for listing in the National Register. If the property is then determined eligible for listing, although not formally listed, Federal agencies will be required to allow for the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation to have an opportunity to comment before the agency may fund, license, or assist a project which will affect the property. If you choose to object to the listing of your property, the notarized objection must be submitted to the Historic Preservation Office within sixty (60) days from the date of this notice.

If you wish to comment on the nomination of the property to the National Register, please send your comments to the Historic Preservation Office within the sixty (60) day comment period.

Information on the New Jersey and National Registers and the Federal tax provisions are available upon request.