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MEMORANDUM

TO: Greg Thorpe, Manager
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FROM: David Brook *DSB for David Brook*

SUBJECT: Historic Architectural Resources Survey Report, R-2583, Hertford County,
ER02-10781

Thank you for your letter of May 28, 2003, concerning the above project.

We have reviewed the additional information we requested in our memorandum of April 25, 2003, and concur with your findings.

For purposes of compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, we concur that the following properties are eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places under the criterion cited:

The William H. Kiff House, Hertford County
The Mt. Tabor Baptist Church, Hertford County

The William H. Kiff House, junction of US 158 and SR 1174, Hertford County, is eligible for the National Register under Criterion C in the area of architecture as an intact domestic agricultural complex from the mid-nineteenth century. We concur with the proposed National Register boundaries for the Kiff House as described and delineated in the survey report.

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May 28, 2003

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Subject: *Historic Architectural Resources Survey Report*
R-2583, Hertford County, State Project No. 6.079007T
ER02-10781

Dear Mr. Brook:

Thank you for your memorandum of April 25, 2003 addressing the findings presented in the above-referenced report.

In response to your request for additional information about two of the three project area properties recommended as eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places, I offer the following observations.

I have discussed the issue of interior access to the William H. Kiff House (Property No. 2, pp. 15-19) with the consultants who prepared the report and learned that their several attempts to contact the occupant proved unsuccessful. They did, however, seek out and interview the owner and former resident of the property, who confirmed the center-hall interior configuration of the house suggested by its form and exterior details. The consultants also supplemented the existing survey record for the area by studying other houses of similar design and date standing in Hertford County (p. 13, n. 12). On pages 12-13 of the report they describe the small number of mid-nineteenth-century, vernacular Greek Revival, domestic structures that survive and indicate how most are considerably altered. The Kiff House not only belongs to this handful of fairly venerable buildings, but is the least altered of its type in the county. The context thus established and combined with the data specific to the property in question appears to me sufficient for constructing a determination of NR-eligibility for

Section 106 purposes.

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