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Dr. Bert L'Homme, Superintendent
Franklin County Schools
53 West River Road
Louisburg NC 27549

RE: Riverside School Porch Building, 53 River Road, Louisburg, Franklin County

Dear Dr. L'Homme:

At your request, the above-referenced property was presented to the North Carolina National Register Advisory Committee (NRAC) at its meeting in Raleigh on October 11, 2007 for a preliminary assessment of the property's eligibility for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The NRAC is a board of professionals and citizens with expertise in history, architectural history, and archaeology, and meets three times a year to advise me on the eligibility of properties for the National Register and the adequacy of nominations.

The committee determined that this property is potentially eligible for the National Register and warrants further study. Accordingly, the property has been added to the Study List of potential nominations to the National Register. Placement on the Study List is the first step in the National Register listing process.

Please note that placement on the Study List does not mean automatic nomination to the National Register. You must initiate the next step, preparation of the nomination. The enclosed set of *National Register Fact Sheets* briefly explains the nomination and listing process.

Please also note that placement of the Study List is not a guarantee of National Register eligibility, but a preliminary indication that a property *appears to be potentially* eligible for listing in the Register. Eligibility requires that a property substantially convey its appearance from the period of its historic significance. If your property is altered subsequent to placement on the Study List, you should consult our staff about potential eligibility prior to undertaking a National Register nomination. Changes that usually render properties ineligible for individual listing in the Register include the application of synthetic siding.

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If you wish to have your property nominated, we can provide a list of qualified private consultants with whom you may contract to prepare the nomination. Our staff will advise property owners who wish to prepare their own nominations, but because of the complexity of technical requirements and standards of documentation, most nominations are prepared by historians or architectural historians experienced in the nomination process. When a technically complete and adequately documented nomination is submitted to this office, staff can provide timely review and processing. However, we cannot rewrite or make substantial revisions to inadequate nominations or provide in-depth historical research services.

Listing in the National Register is largely an honorary designation that can also generate substantial benefits for the property owner. It provides a measure of protection from any state or federally funded or licensed project that might affect the property. In addition, the Tax Reform Act of 1986 provides for a federal income tax credit of twenty percent for the rehabilitation of income-producing properties (commercial or residential rental) that are listed in the National Register. Also, effective January 1998, taxpayers that receive the federal income tax credit are allowed to take a twenty-percent credit against North Carolina income taxes. Likewise, a state tax credit of thirty percent of the cost of qualifying rehabilitation offers aid to owners of non-income-producing historic structures. Please note that listing of a property in the National Register places no obligation or restriction on a private owner using private resources to maintain or alter the property.

Please let us know if the ownership of the property changes, if it is moved, or if it is altered in any significant way. If you have questions about the National Register program, please contact Ms. Ann Swallow, National Register Coordinator, Survey and Planning Branch, State Historic Preservation Office, 4617 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-4617, 919.733.6545.

Sincerely,



Jeffrey J. Crow
State Historic Preservation Officer

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Enclosures

CC: Nathan Moreschi, applicant