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Ms. Harriet Hawkins, Director
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501 E. State Street
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Dear Ms. Hawkins:

I submit this letter in support of the William Paterson College's application for a New Jersey Historic Preservation Bond Program matching grant. I am especially interested in this project and the way in which I see it serving the Northern New Jersey communities surrounding the College.

William Paterson College has taken on serious commitment to serve the public of Northern New Jersey. It does so through its formal graduate and undergraduate level academic programs as well as its service as a cultural center for schools, social agencies, businesses and the general public in the region. Rehabilitation of the Hobart Manor facility is an integral part of the College's mission to serve as a cultural center. When complete, the Hobart Manor will serve the region directly as a tool for public interpretation of this early-twentieth century Tudor Revival design which is significant in local architectural and social history. As a part of the campus facility, the Manor is the center of admissions and community outreach activities and, in this way, is open daily and often in the evenings for College sponsored cultural events.

I sincerely hope that the New Jersey Historic Preservation Bond Program will recognize the tremendous merit of this proposal and provide the William Paterson College with a matching grant to undertake the rehabilitation of Hobart Manor.

Very truly yours,

Frank X. Graves, Jr.
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