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LEGISLATIVE BRIEFING

CONGRESSIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION CAUCUS Bipartisan Coordinated Support for Historic Preservation in the House of Representatives

March 2006

STATUS

As of March 3, 2006, the Congressional Historic Preservation Caucus includes 95 members in the House of Representatives.

REQUEST

Join the Congressional Historic Preservation Caucus in the House of Representatives. Contact Caucus staff to sign on -- Michael Wiehe (staff to Representative Michael Turner (R-OH) at 202.225.6465 and Claire Lohr Meyers (staff to Representative Brad Miller (D-NC) at 202.225.3032.

BACKGROUND

The Congressional Historic Preservation Caucus, founded in 2003 by Representatives Michael Turner (R-OH) and Brad Miller (D-NC), brings together members of Congress who understand the value of America's historic places and their potential.

Members of the Congressional Historic Preservation Caucus join together to support and encourage the preservation and thoughtful economic development of historic places in their districts and states as a matter of national policy. The caucus will serve as a clearinghouse for members seeking information and sharing ideas on local, state and national issues and opportunities in historic preservation, including:

- Rehabilitation of historic buildings and historic districts
- Heritage tourism
- Preservation of national, tribal, state, and local landmarks
- Economic revitalization of downtowns, historic towns, and underutilized historic housing
- Providing opportunities for students to learn American history where it happened
- Resources and legislation to support local, state and national efforts

The Caucus will create and examine legislative proposals regarding historic preservation and history conceived or introduced by Members to determine the need, effects and potential support. It will also create opportunities for Members and their staffs to interact with preservation professionals and supporters through visits to historic sites, lectures, and seminars.



The National Historic Preservation Act and its resulting cultural, educational, and economic benefits over the past 40 years, have been vital to fostering a preservation ethic across the nation. 2006 will be dedicated to celebrating and building awareness and support for the National Historic Preservation Act and the value of preservation.

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