

NCSHPO Legislative Update April 25, 2008

NCSHPO Testifies at House Hearing

On April 24th, the House National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands Subcommittee held a hearing on several bills including H.R. 3981, the Preserve America and Save Americas Treasures Programs Act. The legislation, sponsored by Reps. Brad Miller (D-NC) and Mike Turner (R-OH), would permanently authorize the two programs which currently exist under Presidential Executive Orders and are funded through annual congressional appropriations. Ruth Pierpont, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer for the State of New York and member of the executive committee testified on behalf of NCSHPO.

Her statement included support of the programs, however, urged caution when moving away from the current and successful federal-state program structure to completely federalizing historic preservation programs. A copy of her testimony can be found at: <http://www.ncshpo.org/newsevents/>

Additional witnesses included: Mitch Butler, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior; John Nau III, Chairman, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation; and Emily Wadhams, Vice President for Public Policy, The National Trust for Historic Preservation. Copies of all statements can be found at: <http://resourcescommittee.house.gov/>



Ruth Pierpont testifying on
behalf of NCSHPO
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National Parks, Forests, and
Public Lands Subcommittee
Chairman, Rep. Grijalva (D-AZ),
conferring with committee staff
during the hearing.

