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Katie Pereny, Secretary Historic District Commission City of Mackinac Island Mackinac Island, MI 49757

Re: MACKINAC ISLAND HARDWARE RENOVATION

Market and Main Historic District

Design Review

Dear Ms. Pereny:

I have reviewed the renovations proposed for the Mackinac Island Hardware building, 7325 Astor Street, on the Coal Dock, in the Market and Main Historic District. The Hardware Store building is a Contributing structure in the district.

Proposed work would largely be interior, but would also include some exterior changes. On the east / front elevation a new second floor access / egress door would be added to the left, or south, of the existing double entry doors. The new door would be a half-glass cross-buck style to match the existing ones, requiring two steps from grade. Also, a second floor, double-hung type, egress window would be added centered above the entry door pair. The other exterior change would be on the south side, replacing the second floor loft sliding door, to facilitate forklift access. This would involve a new door and sliding door track, with a metal rain guard above it.

The applicable design review standard is **Standard 9**, addressing related new construction, and requiring that "related new construction not destroy ... materials that characterize the property... and be compatible". The project would not destroy materials characterizing the building, and would be compatible. Therefore, proposed renovations would meet the Standards for review.

Sincerely,

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