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Ms. Megan J. Brennan
Postmaster General
United States Postal Service
475 L'Enfant Plaza SW
Washington, D.C. 20260

Ref: *Proposed Demolition of the Napa Franklin Station
Napa, Napa County, California*

Dear Ms. Brennan:

On July 7, 2015, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) determined that its participation in consultation to seek ways to avoid, reduce, or mitigate the adverse effects associated with the referenced undertaking was not needed. However, since that time we have been contacted by citizens concerned that the USPS has not fully considered alternatives to the removal of this historic facility. After review of these concerns we have determined that our participation to resolve adverse effects is warranted. Accordingly, the ACHP will participate in consultation to assist in reviewing alternatives to demolition of this facility. Our decision to participate in this consultation is based on the *Criteria for Council Involvement in Reviewing Individual Section 106 Cases*, contained within our regulations. The criteria are met for this proposed undertaking because as proposed it would have substantial impacts to important historic properties.

Section 800.6(a)(1)(iii) of our regulations requires that we notify you, as the head of the agency, of our decision to participate in consultation. By copy of this letter, we are also notifying Mr. Daniel Delahaye, USPS Federal Preservation Officer, of this decision.

Our participation in this consultation will be handled by Ms. Najah Duvall-Gabriel who can be reached at (202) 517-0210 or via e-mail at ngabriel@achp.gov. We look forward to working with your agency and the other consulting parties to consider viable alternatives that could avoid the need to demolish this historic property that is an anchor in the community.

Sincerely,

for John M. Fowler
Executive Director

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