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Re: Nomination of Keim Farm for National Historic Landmark Status

Dear Mr. Loether:

It is my understanding that the Keim Farm located on Boyer Road, Pike Township, Berks County, owned by the Historic Preservation Trust of Berks County, has been nominated for National Historic Landmark Status.

Without reservation of any kind, I wish to express my support for that nomination. The Keim Farm is an anomaly in that its 18th century German appointments, inside and out, remain all but unchanged and unspoiled by man and the passage of time. Largely, this can be attributed to its rural isolation and the fact longtime ownership chose to simply "let the place sit."

Adding interest to the property is the fact all its inhabitants, down to 1911, lie in two family grave-yards a stone's throw from the farmhouse. Betsy Keim, the last of her line, lived her entire life on the farmstead. She died unmarried.

Accordingly, this is a unique property with a unique history and, as such, is truly qualified for nomination for National Historic Monument Status as a prime example of eighteenth century colonial German architecture.

I wish to thank you for your consideration of this nomination and urge you to act favorably thereon.

Yours sincerely,

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