



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION  
BUREAU FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION  
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February 28, 1992

Wayne G. Failor  
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RE: ER 89-0557-043-H  
Harrisburg, Dauphin Co.  
SSHE-University Center  
Memorandum of Agreement for  
the Demolition of Hunter  
Hall

Dear Mr. Failor:

The Bureau for Historic Preservation has reviewed this State funded, assisted or licensed project under the authority of the Environmental Rights amendment, Article 1, Section 27 of the Pennsylvania Constitution and the Pennsylvania History Code, 37 Pa. Cons. Stat. Section 507 et seq. (1988). This review includes comments on the project's potential effect on both historic and archaeological resources.

The Bureau for Historic Preservation has reviewed the revised Memorandum of Agreement for the demolition of Hunter Hall and the rehabilitation of the five remaining structures at the University Center Complex. The Agreement, as revised, is acceptable. Therefore, the document has been signed and returned to you.

Prior to any demolition activity at the University Center complex, the documentation specified in the MOA must be submitted to our office for review and approval. Only when you have been notified by our office that this material is acceptable, can demolition proceed. In addition, no new construction or rehabilitation activities may proceed until plans have been reviewed by our office, as stipulated in the MOA.

If you need further information in this matter please consult Caroline Henry at (717) 783-6099.

Sincerely,

Brenda Barrett  
Director

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**MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT  
SUBMITTED TO THE PENNSYLVANIA HISTORIC AND MUSEUM COMMISSION  
PURSUANT TO 37 Pa. C.S.A. §508**

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (SSHE), as owner of the property has consulted with the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission (PHMC), Bureau for Historic Preservation (BHP), pursuant to 37 Pa. C.S.A. §508 of the History Code for demolition of Hunter Hall and rehabilitation of the remaining five structures of the University Center complex, a property determined to be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places; and

WHEREAS, the definitions given in Appendix I are applicable throughout this Memorandum of Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, the SSHE and the PHMC agree that the undertaking shall be implemented in accordance with the following stipulations in order to take into account the effect of the undertaking on properties eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.

**STIPULATIONS**

1. The SSHE shall ensure that the following recordation measures are carried out in consultation with the PHMC prior to the demolition of Hunter Hall and the rehabilitation of the remaining buildings at the University Center complex.
  - (a) Photographic documentation of Hunter Hall and the University Center complex.

- (b) Narrative description of Hunter Hall and the University Center complex.
- (c) Measured drawings of Hunter Hall and the University Center complex.
- (d) Documentation of the history of Hunter Hall and the University Center complex.

2. The SSHE shall ensure the design of the project has considered the historic and architectural qualities of the University Center complex and reference recommended approaches to rehabilitation set forth in the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings (U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service, 1983), and the design and specifications for the project are developed in consultation with the PHMC.

3. All plans and specifications for the rehabilitation of existing structures and for any new construction proposed shall be submitted to the PHMC for consultation prior to construction activity.

4. The SSHE shall salvage and incorporate such architectural elements in the project as are reusable and compatible with the design of the rehabilitated structures. The PHMC or its designee shall be given an opportunity prior to demolition to salvage any remaining architectural elements for use in other projects, public education, or curation. The SSHE shall provide written notification, at least 30 days prior to demolition, to the following organizations, offering the opportunity to salvage building elements not selected by the SSHE, the PHMC or its designee for salvage:

Historic Harrisburg Association  
Dauphin County Historical Society  
Historic York

All salvage operations by any organizations shall be by written agreement with SSHE and shall be at no cost, contractual delays or liability to SSHE. The proceeds of any sales of salvaged items shall be remitted to SSHE.

5. The SSHE shall ensure that copies of applicable design and construction project documents on all activities carried out pursuant to this Agreement are provided to the PHMC upon request.

6. Should PHMC object within thirty days to any plans or specifications provided by the SSHE for review, or actions proposed pursuant to this Agreement, the parties shall consult to resolve the objection. If SSHE determines that the objection cannot be resolved, the Chancellor of the SSHE shall consult with the Chairman of the PHMC to resolve the dispute. Any resolution reached will be taken into account by the SSHE in accordance with 37 Pa. C.S.A. §508 with reference only to the subjects of the dispute; the SSHE's responsibility to carry out all actions under this Agreement that are not subject of the dispute will remain unchanged.

7. If an objection to any such measure or its manner of implementation should be raised by a member of the public by personal appearance or signed written correspondence to SSHE or PHMC at any time during implementation of the measures stipulated in this Agreement, the SSHE shall take the objection into account and consult, as needed, with the PHMC to resolve the objection.

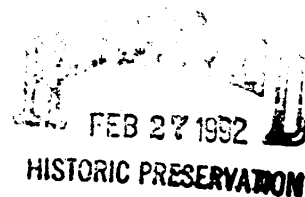
8. Execution of the Memorandum of Agreement by the State System of Higher Education and the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, and implementation of its terms, evidence that SSHE has afforded the PHMC an opportunity to comment on the demolition of Hunter Hall, the rehabilitation of the University Center, and the effects on historic resources. It also ensures the PHMC that SSHE has cooperated as required by 37 Pa. C.S.A. §508 and has taken into account the effects of the undertaking on historic properties.

STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

By James H. McCormick Date 2/25/92  
James H. McCormick, Chancellor

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION  
BUREAU FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION

By Brenda Barrett Date 3/4/92  
Brenda Barrett, Director



## Memorandum of Agreement

Submitted to the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission

Pursuant to 37 Pa. C.S.A. §508

Definitions - The following words or phrases shall have the meaning indicated unless otherwise indicated in the text of the Agreement. All other words or phrases will have the commonly accepted meanings as found in dictionaries of the English language, such as The American Heritage Dictionary, Second College edition.

1. Commission - Shall mean the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission as defined in Act 72 of 1988 (37 Pa. C.S.A. Chapter 1).
2. Demolition - Shall mean to completely tear down, remove, raze or reduce to rubble through destruction of the entire facility.
3. Objection - Shall mean to question, oppose, protest or present dissenting or opposing argument or opinion. To be considered valid or acceptable for redress under this Agreement, all objection shall be made in person by signed written statement by the objecting individual or party.

4. Project - Shall mean the work undertaken by the State System of Higher Education to demolish Hunter Hall and storage building, build a new headquarters facility, landscape the site, and completely renovate all other buildings on the University Center at Harrisburg property during the period 1991 to 1993, or until the renovations are complete.
5. Refurbishment/rehabilitation/renovation - Shall mean to restore existing facilities to usable service through removal of deteriorated materials, and replacement with materials, improvements or systems currently acceptable to, or required by, present building codes or engineering or architectural practices.
6. SSHE - Shall mean the State System of Higher Education as established in Act 188 of 1982, and as represented by its designee empowered to act on its behalf for this Agreement.
7. "Taken into Account" - Shall mean to take into consideration as a factor in forming a judgement or decision by careful thought and deliberation.
8. Undertaking - Shall mean the activities and efforts applied to demolish Hunter Hall and to rehabilitate the facilities at the University Center at Harrisburg eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.