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Laura Segal  
The White House Office of Board and Commissions  
NEOB Room 4026, 725 17th Street NW  
Washington, DC 20503

**RE: Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Candidate David Teitelbaum**

Dear Ms. Segal,

David Teitelbaum of New York City is a candidate for appointment to the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. I have known David for more than 10 years during which time he served on Preservation Action's board of directors and I enthusiastically support his appointment to this position. Preservation Action is the grassroots lobby for historic preservation and neighborhood conservation and I have served the organization as the president for 17 years.

David is admired for his hard work and vision. In the early 80s, he utilized the historic rehabilitation tax credits to develop a number of significant projects in New York, all of which remain healthy. He was eager to help save the credits when they were threatened by tax reform in the mid-80's, joining thousands of Americans who argued that they are the most effective tool for attracting private investment to downtown commercial and residential rehabilitation.

More recently, David has entered the stone carving and fabrication business through Cathedral Stoneworks, a company reviving the dying craft of stone carving and cutting in America. He is doing so with the help of a significant investment in very advanced computer and robotic equipment which he has introduced in the stone fabrication industry in this country for the first time.

David is an energetic and creative individual who would bring a seasoned preservation interest and a business person's perspective to the important work of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. I recommend him highly for a seat on the Council and hope you will consider him seriously for this post.

Sincerely,

Nellie L. Longworth