

Hingham Historical Commission

Town Hall, 210 Central Street, Hingham, Massachusetts 02043

December 1, 2025

Ms. Nancy MacDonald
Chair, Community Preservation Committee

Dear Ms. MacDonald,

On behalf of the Historical Commission, I am writing to express support for the following historical Community Preservation Committee 2025 grant applications:

- Victory Statue/Iron Horse Restoration: This statue is located in the Lincoln Historic District (Phase III) and is individually listed on the Town of Hingham's Historical Asset Inventory.
- GAR Memorial Hall Elevator Replacement: This building is located in the Hingham Center Historic District and is listed individually on the Town of Hingham's Historical Asset Inventory.
- Lincoln School Apartments Critical Capital Improvements: This building is individually listed on the Town of Hingham's Historical Asset Inventory.
- Hingham Community Center/John Thaxter House Preservation and Restoration: Built in 1758, this building is individually listed on the Town of Hingham's Historical Asset Inventory. The Historical Commission is also in support of placing a historic preservation restriction on this property as a condition of any grant agreement that may be enacted in the event that the Community Preservation Committee shall award grant monies to the Community Center.

It is the decision of the Historical Commission that each of the above-list properties are historically significant by as required by MGL c.44B, which states that "Historic resources" are defined as "a building, structure, vessel real property, document or artifact that is listed on the state register of historic places or has been determined by the local historic preservation commission to be significant in the history, archeology, architecture or culture of a city or town."

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Dings

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