Village of Brockport
127 Main St
Brockport, NY 14420

Re: Brockport West Side Historic District
127 Main Street
Brockport, NY 14420
Monroe County

Dear Sir/Madame:

We are pleased to inform you that the property you own, noted above, is included in a historic district that will be considered by the New York State Board for Historic Preservation at its next meeting, December 3, 2020, for nomination to the National and State Registers of Historic Places. These registers are the official lists of properties that are significant in history, architecture, engineering, landscape design, and culture. Listing in the registers provides recognition of our national, state and local heritage and assistance in preserving it. Enclosed is a copy of the criteria under which properties are evaluated for listing.

Listing in the National and State Registers affords properties a measure of protection from the effects of federal and/or state sponsored or assisted projects, provides eligibility for certain federal and/or state tax credits and renders properties owned by non-profits or municipalities eligible for state preservation grants. In general, there are no restrictions placed upon private owners of registered properties. The results of listing are explained more fully in the attached fact sheet.

Owners of private properties proposed for listing in the National Register must be given the opportunity to concur in or object to the listing. If a majority of the private property owners in the district object to the listing via the process noted below, it will prevent the district from being listed. Objections are only counted against the listing of the district as a whole. If a majority does not object, no single property owner in the district can exempt himself or herself from the listing via an objection. Each private property owner has one vote, regardless of how many properties or what portion of a single property that party owns.

If a property owner wishes to object to the proposed district, he/she must submit a notarized acknowledgement that he/she is the owner of the property in question and that he/she objects to the proposed National Register listing. Objections must be submitted before the district is listed.

If a district cannot be listed because of owner objection, the SHPO will submit the nomination to the Keeper of the National Register for a determination of eligibility for listing. Properties formally determined eligible for National Register listing by the Keeper are subject to the same protection from the effects of federally sponsored or assisted projects as are listed properties. There are no provisions in the New York State Historic Preservation Act that allow owners to prevent listing in the State Register by means of objection.
September 18, 2020

Dear Property Owner,

In 2019 Village of Brockport has engaged Bero Architecture PLLC to conduct a historic district survey and prepare a nomination for the National Register of Historic Places. Funding was provided by a Certified Local Government grant, and after nearly a year of work, the nomination has been sent to the New York State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) for consideration. If approved for listing on the National Register, this will be the third such district in the Village of Brockport.

The proposed westside historic district includes properties on the following streets (also, please refer to the included map): Adams, Allen, Brockway, Centennial, Chappell, College, Holley, Kenyon, Main, Maxon, Mercer, Monroe, Park and Utica.

The nomination materials are located on our website at http://www.brockportny.org/government/historic-preservation-board or a hard copy and can be reviewed at Village Hall, 127 Main St.

A public meeting will be offered to property owners and the general public to learn about the nomination, what it means for property owners, and to ask questions or offer comments. The meeting will be held remotely on Zoom on Wednesday October 14, 2020 at 7pm. The link will be available on the Village of Brockport’s website at the above address, and it will also be available on the homepage under “News and Announcements.” If you need assistance, please contact Manager Erica Linden and she will help you access the login information. Please email or call elinden@brockportny.org or (585) 637-5300 x110.

Listing on the registers has no negatives for property owners. It places no restrictions with respect to use of the property. Once a property has been listed, neither Albany nor Washington has any further interest in it. However, listing has the advantage of making the owner eligible for tax credits, up to 20% on state income tax liability and 20% on federal income taxes, for work done on the structure, provided certain conditions are met.

If you have questions about the National Register of Historic Places, please contact Dr. Virginia Bartos at the Division for Historic Preservation, NYS OPRHP (NY SHPO) at virginia.bartos@parks.ny.gov. See the enclosed letter from the NY SHPO for additional information.

Sincerely,

William G. Andrews
Historic Preservation Board Chair

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