

# GATEWAY TO HISTORY

*A Mississippi Scenic Byway*

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## HAND DELIVERED

**TO:** Mr. Tony Greer  
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**FROM:** Phyllis Doby  
Chairperson  
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**SUBJECT:** Landscaping Proposal for Gateway to History  
Board of Supervisor's Meeting, March 7, 2016

**DATE:** May 5, 2016

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Gateway to History (GTH) welcomes the opportunity to present our request for financial assistance to you and the Madison County Board of Supervisors. As you know, GTH came before the Board on July 21, 2014 and presented our detailed Corridor Management Plan and asked for financial support. There was no opposition, but the Board asked for additional time to review the plan and no action was taken.

On February 29, 2016, GTH again submitted a request to the Board for financial assistance. Please see a copy of my letter enclosed herewith. I appeared before the Board on March 7, 2016 to seek support for the first phase of the comprehensive landscaping plan that is proposed for beautification within GTH. I am submitting the first phase of the proposal to you as per instructions from the Board at that meeting.

GTH will implement this design at significant points throughout the 33+ mile byway. Using the same landscape planting at each location will establish a cohesive and recognizable vista for travelers to readily identify with GTH.

This Scenic Byway is a treasure for Madison County. Not only does it bring recognition and tourism to our county, but it also provides opportunities for beautification, preservation, education and recreation. Chosen by MDOT and supported by many local and state leaders, GTH has already proven to be a catalyst for community involvement.

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Many presentations have been made to garden clubs, churches, civic organizations and scout troops. Through grants from Mississippi Tourism Bureau, our Welcome Center has been established on the historic square in Canton, our brochures are being distributed and our web site is available to invite visitors to the many historic sites and events along the corridor. GTH is located totally within Madison County and we are eager for the Board to join with its support.

Please contact me with questions or to set up a meeting. Again, GTH is grateful to have this opportunity to work with the Madison County Board of Supervisors to enhance this segment of our beautiful area.

Thank you for your time.

# ***Gateway to History***

## ***A Mississippi Scenic Byway***

**TO:** Supervisor, Baxter  
Supervisor, Bishop  
Supervisor, Griffin  
Supervisor, Jones  
Supervisor, Steen

**FROM:** Phyllis Doby  
Chairperson  
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**SUBJECT:** Proposed projects within Gateway to History

**DATE:** February 29, 2016

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Gateway to History came before the Board on July 21, 2014. During the meeting we presented a detailed Corridor Management Plan to the supervisors and asked for their financial support. The financial support was for a website, brochures, advertising banners and assistance in opening the Welcome Center. There was no opposition to our request, as reflected in the minutes, but the Board asked for additional time to review the Management Plan.

Since our initial meeting with the Board, Gateway to History has successfully implemented a website to inform the public of daily opportunities along the route as well as special events. With the help of politicians, community volunteers and historians, we were able to open our Gateway to History Welcome Center on the historic square of Canton. Brochures are available at this location as well as other sites along the Byway. All of this was made possible by two grants from Mississippi Tourism Bureau.

Gateway to History has created a beautification project called Historic Enhancement Landscape Program (HELP) within the Byway. This program is to inform various garden clubs, churches, civic organizations and schools the importance of saving and protecting historic landscapes within our Byway. Recently, we held a daffodil planting along the Byway and we enlisted several Boy Scout groups to assist in the replanting of heirloom daffodils donated by families and developers. We have planted over 10,000

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daffodil bulbs along the Byway. In November, 2015, Gateway to History received recognition from the National Scenic Byway Foundation for this program.

To date, we have eleven (11) State-designated Scenic Byways, one (1) National Scenic Byway and one (1) All American Road. We hope you will give financial support to your Byway. We need monies for beautification and for future events, thereby creating tourism dollars for your county. A detailed landscape budget will be presented at the meeting.

If you have any additional questions or comments, please feel free to contact me prior to the meeting.

Thank you for your time.

Phyllis Doby  
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GATEWAY TO HISTORY - MADISON COUNTY MISSISSIPPI

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PRELIMINARY ESTIMATE

MADISON COUNTY MISSISSIPPI

INTENSIVE LANDSCAPE STUDY

QTY:	DESCRIPTION	UNIT COST	TOTAL
<b>INSTALLED PLANT PRICES</b>			
<b>TREES</b>			
3	RED BUD - SMALL SCALE FLOWERING TREE	189' \$ 9.00	\$567.00
	ALT. SERVICEBERRY, SUMAC, PARSLEY HAWTHORN, PAW PAW, FRINGE TREE		
3	BLACK GUM - MEDIUM SCALE ORNAMENTAL TREE	270' \$27.	\$810.00
	ALT. POND CYPRESS, RIVER BIRCH, TULIP POPLAR, ASH		
9	CRAPE MYRTLE - LARGE SCALE FLOWERING TREE	189' \$9.00	\$1,701.00
	ALT. SAUCER MAGNOLIA, SWEETBAY MAGNOLIA		
3	MAGNOLIA - LARGE SCALE EVERGREEN TREE	\$189.00	\$567.00
	ALT. SAVANNAH HOLLY, SPRUCE PINE, RED CEDAR		
<b>SHRUBS</b>			
29	FORSYTHIA	\$24.95	\$723.55
19	SPIREA	\$24.95	\$474.05
30	MUHLI GRASS	\$24.95	\$748.50
<b>BULBS</b>			
200	DAYLILY	\$4.00	\$800.00
2400	CEMETERY WHITE IRIS	\$4.00	\$9,600.00
4000	DAFFODILE	\$4.00	\$16,000.00
<b>MISC</b>			
3000	BED PEP/LABOR	\$2.50	\$7,500.00
60	SOIL MIX	\$85.00	\$5,100.00
100	LONGLEAF PINE STRAW	\$11.00	\$1,100.00
60	FREEHAND PRE-EMERGENT HERBICIDE	\$10.00	\$600.00
1	POST EMERGENT HERBICIDE	\$300.00	\$300.00
1	MISC. EQUIPMENT	\$600.00	\$600.00
1	DEBRIS REMOVAL	\$750.00	\$750.00
	TAX		\$47,941.10
			\$3,355.88
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$51,296.98</b>

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THIS PROPOSAL MAY BE WITHDRAWN BY MARTINSONS IF NOT ACCEPTED WITHIN 60 DAYS.

<p><b>THANK YOU!</b>                  RANDOLPH WIRT GRAVES                  601-720-8052</p>	<p>AUTHORIZATION: THE ABOVE PRICES, SPECIFICATIONS AND CONDITIONS ARE SATISFACTORY AND HEREBY ACCEPTED. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO DO THE WORK AS SPECIFIED. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE AS OUTLINED ABOVE.</p> <p>_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SIGNATURE</p>
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