

MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Mr. Mingo Tingle Historic Preservation Division Mississippi Department of Archives and History Post Office Box 571 Jackson, Mississippi 39205

RE: Mississippi Community Heritage Preservation Grant

Dear Mr. Tingle,

The Historic Courthouse in Canton, Mississippi has been a fixture in Madison County and Central Mississippi for over 150 years. Because of this important facility, the Madison County Board of Supervisors has taken aggressive efforts to guarantee that this facility continues to be the pride of Mississippi.

The Madison County Board of Supervisors has authorized Belinda Stewart Architects, P.A., to submit a Community Heritage Preservation Grant through the Mississippi Department of Archives and History. This grant will help Madison County repair and revitalize the historic iron fence which defines the square and provides a historic accent to the Historic Courthouse. The deterioration of the fence along with a missing section and broken parts are leading to a potential permanent loss of this structure. The repairs that this grant will allow will ensure that the fence will be an attractive feature and last many generations.

We appreciate your consideration of this request as we continue to invest in the Historic Courthouse and grounds to make this the best historic facility in Mississippi.

Sincerely,

Trey Baxter, President Madison County Board of Supervisors