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Exterior and Interior Rehabilitation, New Construction of Archives Building, National Museum of Puerto Rican Arts & Culture at 3015 W. Division St., Humboldt Park Receptory and Stables, listed on NRHP

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**October 7, 2022** 

Dawn Cobb Illinois Department of Natural Resources One Natural Resources Way Springfield, IL 62702-1271

Dear Ms. Cobb:

In our letter of 11/5/2020, this office approved the proposed scope of work to the historic Humboldt Park Receptory and Stables and the location for the new museum archive building. It also asked for the elevations of the proposed building. We have not received the requested elevations; however, after reexamining the project submission that we received on 9/23/20, we find that the conceptual sketch included in the original submission is sufficient for our review.

The new building will be located to the southwest of the Receptory, away from West Division Street and Humboldt Drive and nearest the Receptory's least visible facades (West and South). In a 9/18/2020 email, Billy Ocasio, Chief Executive Officer of the National Museum of Puerto Rican Arts & Culture, stated that the exterior materials were anticipated to be "wood siding, cedar, painted with colors to match the main building."

Because of the proposed location and materials and because the new building will be surrounded to the west and south by existing, non-historic playing fields, we find that the new building's proposed exterior design is compatible with the historic character of the Receptory and with Humboldt Park. The new construction will not adversely affect the historic resources.

Sincerely,

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**Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer CLM**