

**LETTER OF RESOLUTION AMONG  
NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF PARKS, RECREATION AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION  
EMPIRE STATE DEVELOPMENT, MONTGOMERY COUNTY AND  
THE VILLAGE OF CANAJOHARIE REGARDING REDEVELOPMENT OF THE EAST SIDE OF THE FORMER  
BEECH-NUT PLANT  
[16PR05994]**

WHEREAS, the site changes proposed by Montgomery County ("Sponsor") include demolishing the complex of mid-twentieth century buildings that constitute the east side of the former Beech-Nut Plant (all buildings east of the Canajoharie Creek;) and,

WHEREAS, the New York State Urban Development Corporation d/b/a Empire State Development (ESD) is providing funding to the Village of Canajoharie for the proposed demolition of the east side of the former Beech-Nut Plant; and,

WHEREAS, ESD, Montgomery County and the Village of Canajoharie have consulted with the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP), in accordance with Section 14.09 of the New York State Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Act of 1980 and 9NYCRR Part 428; and,

WHEREAS, OPRHP has determined that the Beechnut plant in the Village of Canajoharie is listed in the State and National Registers of Historic Places; and,

WHEREAS, OPRHP has determined that demolition of the east side of the State and National Register listed former Beechnut plant is an Adverse Impact as defined in 9NYCRR Part 428; and,

WHEREAS, OPRHP, ESD, Montgomery County and the Village of Canajoharie have determined that the applicant has explored all feasible and prudent alternatives that would avoid or minimize the adverse impacts to the State and National Register resource; and,

WHEREAS, Phase I investigations have not identified any significant archaeological resources on the former Beechnut property within the area of proposed impact,

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with Section 14.09, OPRHP, ESD, Montgomery County and the Village of Canajoharie agree that the Project may proceed subject to the stipulations below.

**STIPULATIONS**

Montgomery County, as the owner and developer, shall implement the project in compliance with the following stipulations that shall be included as conditions of any state funding or permit, if such a funding or permit is issued.

1. Montgomery County will complete a thorough Structure Documentation package according to OPRHP's standards (Exhibit C) within six (6) months of the date of execution of this LOR.
2. Salvage of select historic building materials for reuse and/or display. The County, in consultation with OPRHP, will identify in writing any significant architectural features to be removed from

the historic buildings. Salvaged architectural features may be incorporated within the new building, used for an on-site historical display, or donated to a local non-profit historical society or architectural salvage group.

3. Retention of the Access Bridge: The Warren Truss access bridge that crosses the Canajoharie Creek and enters Building 57 will be retained and incorporated into any new development of the site.
4. The County may consult with the SHPO to develop design guidelines for practicable and economically feasible future construction at the site to ensure that any new construction will be compatible with the surrounding historic district.
5. Continued SHPO review and approval of any rehabilitation and/or selective demolition efforts on the Main Beechnut Building located on the west side of the Canajoharie Creek.

Execution of this agreement and implementation of its stipulations evidences that Montgomery County has offered OPRHP the opportunity to comment on this undertaking and consider its impacts pursuant to Section 14.09 of the New York State Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Law of 1980.

THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF PARKS, RECREATION AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

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