

January 15, 2021

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Minnesota Management and Budget  
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658 Cedar Street  
St. Paul, MN 55155

Senator Tom Bakk, Chair  
Senate Capital Investment Committee  
Room 328 Capitol  
St. Paul, MN 55155

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House Capital Investment Committee  
Room 485 State Office Building  
St. Paul, MN 55155

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House State Government Finance Committee  
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St. Paul, MN 55155

Senator Mary Kiffmeyer, Chair, Senate State  
Government Finance and Policy and Elections Committee  
Room 3103 Minnesota Senate Building  
St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Commissioner, Senators, Representatives:

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 16B.307, subdivision 2, the Minnesota Historical Society is submitting 1) "a list of the [Asset Preservation] projects that have been funded with money under this program during the preceding calendar year" and 2) "a list of those priority asset preservation projects for which state bond proceeds fund appropriations will be sought during that year's legislative session."

Expenditures made during calendar year 2020 on Asset Preservation Projects are as follows:

**Asset Preservation Projects (2017 Appropriation)**

Split Rock – HVAC	66,735
Mill City Elevator #1 Head House Roof	<u>10,746</u>
<b>Total - Expenditures from 2017 Appropriation in CY2020</b>	<b>\$77,481</b>

**Asset Preservation Projects (2018 Appropriation)**

Mill City East Wall	99,877
Hill House Fire and Safety	614,482
Forestville Exterior Rehab	906,589
Mill City Elevator HVAC	87,627
Folsom House Exterior Preservation	58,269
Lindbergh Visitor Center HVAC	878,231
Mill City Elevator #1 Head House Roof	129,793
Forestville Interior Preservation	71,918
Comstock House Boiler Replacement	20,985
Mille Lacs Museum Exterior Preservation	28,016
Fort Ridgely Security Systems	<u>3,650</u>
<b>Total - Expenditures from 2018 Appropriation in CY2020</b>	<b>\$2,899,437</b>

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**Future Asset Preservation Projects**

While 2021 is not a bonding year, should there be a bonding bill with additional Asset Preservation funds, the Minnesota Historical Society would continue through its Asset Preservation priority list and undertake work at the following Historic Sites: Split Rock Lighthouse, Historic Fort Snelling (Round Tower), Mill City Museum, Comstock House, Fort Ridgely, Ramsey House, Forest History Center, and Oliver Kelley Farm.

If you have any questions regarding the Society's Asset Preservation projects, any other capital budget project or other activity of the Minnesota Historical Society please contact David Kelliher, the Society's Director of Public Policy at 651.259.3103 or [david.kelliher@mnhs.org](mailto:david.kelliher@mnhs.org).

The Minnesota Historical Society sincerely appreciates the State of Minnesota's continued support for the preservation of the state's most significant historic sites, thereby providing an important component of our state's educational system as well as a significant economic development tool.

Sincerely,



Kent Whitworth  
Director and Chief Executive Officer

cc: Rep. Dean Urdahl, Republican Lead Member, House Capital Investment Committee  
Sen. Sandy Pappas, Ranking Minority Member, Senate Capital Investment Committee  
Rep. Jim Nash, Republican Lead Member, House State Government Finance Committee  
Sen. Jim Carlson, Ranking Minority Member, Senate State Government Finance Committee