

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

William Francis Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth Massachusetts Historical Commission

August 11, 2021

Lisa L. Mead Mead, Talerman & Costa,LLC 30 Green St Newburyport MA 01950

RE: Revised draft Preservation Restriction Agreement, 342 Merrimac Street (aka Jacob Whitmore House), Newburyport, Massachusetts (MHC# NWB.272)

Dear Ms. Mead:

Staff of the Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC) have reviewed the revised draft preservation restriction agreement for the above-referenced property received July 29, 2021 in response to MHC's comment letter of July 28, 2021. The following comments are provided under the MHC's approval authority for preservation restrictions under M.G.L. Chapter 184, Section 32.

The MHC is prepared to approve the preservation restriction agreement for the Jacob Whitmore House, 342 Merrimac Street, Newburyport, Massachusetts.

Once the final agreement has been approved and executed by all parties the compete original agreement including all exhibits (or multiple originals if they are created) should then be forwarded to the MHC for its signature approval. We will return the approved agreement to you for recording at the Registry of Deeds. Before submitting to MHC please review the executed agreement to confirm that all notary signature verifications have been correctly executed, as notary errors and omissions are common, and MHC will not approve agreements with any irregularities in the signature verifications.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions regarding the comments included in this letter.

Sincerely,

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