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Dr. C. James Trotman
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West Chester, Pennsylvania 19383

Dear Dr. Trotman:

Congratulations! The National Park Service (NPS) evaluated your application for the Frederick Douglass Institute of West Chester University to be included in the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom (Network to Freedom). We found that it makes a significant contribution to the understanding of the Underground Railroad in American history and that it meets the requirements for inclusion as a program. We commend you on your dedication to this important aspect of our history and expect that you will join with us in continuing to exemplify the values expressed in the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Act.

We are enclosing a Certificate of Acceptance, which you may display at your program. As a program included in the Network to Freedom, you may use the Network to Freedom logo under certain conditions, such as in plaques or publications. We will send a separate mailing with the Network to Freedom graphics standards manual. Use of the logo in specific projects requires prior approval by your NPS Regional Program Manager. Please consult with your NPS Regional Program Manager for further information and guidelines on the use of the logo. We will also include your program on the NPS Network to Freedom Web site at www.nps.gov/ugrr.

Please know that we are aware of your commitment to be stewards of all that the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Act embraces and encourage you to stay firm to that commitment by continuing to manage your program as described in your application. To ensure accurate interpretation of the Underground Railroad to the public, we wish to emphasize that you may only represent your association with the Network to Freedom as it has been approved in your application.

We know that you are as committed to quality and high standards as we are and will realize the need for periodic review. Any program in the Network to Freedom is subject to periodic review and may be removed from the Network to Freedom if there is evidence that it no longer meets the criteria for inclusion or if the steward's activities are inconsistent with the goals of the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Act. In order to help us stay up-to-date on your programs and activities, we rely on you to send us news and examples of flyers, newsletters, programs, brochures, etc. Additionally, you may post news of your upcoming events on the NPS Network to Freedom Web site.

Congratulations again on your extraordinary program, which we welcome into the Network to Freedom. We wish you continued success. Please do not hesitate to contact your NPS Regional Program Manager at any time to seek assistance, advice, information, or to let them know about your current activities.

Sincerely,

Ernest Quintana
Regional Director

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