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—MEDIA ADVISORY—

2008 Preserve America Presidential Awards Presented by President and Mrs. Bush

What: Four honorees will receive this year's Preserve America Presidential Awards from President George W. Bush and Mrs. Laura Bush, First Lady of the United States and Honorary Chair of Preserve America. This is the highest national federal award honoring historic preservation achievement.

The four award winners for 2008 are located in:

New York City (2)
Northern Mississippi
Texas (Statewide)

When: Monday, May 12, beginning at 3 p.m.

Where: The White House, Washington, DC

Who: Preserve America Presidential Award recipients will attend the ceremony and be available afterwards for interviews on the North Lawn (Lafayette Square side) by advance arrangement.

How to cover: Note: Members of the media interested in attending the event who do not have a White House Press Credential must fax his or her name (as it appears on his or her driver's license), Social Security number and date of birth on company letterhead to (202) 456-1523 no later than 8:00 a.m. on Monday, May 12, 2008. For additional credentialing or logistical questions, please call Mrs. Bush's Press Office at (202) 456-6313. The start time is 3:30 p.m. in the Rose Garden and the pre-set time for electronic media is 2:00 p.m. All press will be escorted from the West Wing driveway to the event venue at 2:50 p.m.

Background: The 2008 Preserve America Presidential Award recipients were chosen through a national competition administered by the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation in cooperation with the Executive Office of the President and in partnership with the U.S. Department of the Interior. The Presidential Awards are given annually to organizations, businesses, or government entities for exemplary accomplishments in heritage tourism and sustainable use and preservation of cultural or natural heritage assets. For more information visit www.PreserveAmerica.gov, or contact the person listed at the top of this advisory.

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