Advisory Council On Historic Preservation

1522 K Street, NW Washington, DC 20005

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the Veterans Administration (VA), proposes to reroof Building 1 and Building 3 at the Lincoln VA Medical Center, Lincoln, Nebraska; and,

WHEREAS, it has been determined that this undertaking will have an adverse effect on the Lincoln VA Medical Center, a property eligible for the National Register of Historic Places; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. Sec. 470f, as amended, 90 Stat. 1320) and Section 2(b) of Executive Order 11593, "Protection and Enhancement of the Cultural Environment", VA has requested the comments of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (Council) in accordance with the Council's regulations, "Protection of Historic and Cultural Properties" (36 CFR Part 800); and,

WHEREAS, representatives of the Council, VA, and the Nebraska State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) have consulted and reviewed the undertaking to consider feasible and prudent alternatives to avoid or satisfactorily mitigate the adverse effect;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is mutually agreed that the undertaking will be implemented in accordance with the following stipulations to mitigate the adverse effects.

Stipulations

The VA will ensure that the following measures are carried out.

- 1. Building 1 will be reroofed with slate of similar color and appearance to the historic slate roof, or its existing slate roof will be repaired with a slate that matches, as closely as possible in color and size, the original.
- 2. Building 3 will be reroofed with a material that closely matches the color of the original slate roof.
- 3. Any slate from Building 1 or Building 3 which can be salvaged will be stockpiled for use in repairing other slate roofs at the Medical Center.
- 4. Failure to carry out the terms of this Agreement requires that the VA again request the Council's comments in accordance with 36 CFR Part 800.

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If the VA cannot carry out the terms of the Agreement, it shall not take or sanction any action or make any irreversible commitment that would result in an adverse effect with respect to National Register or eligible properties covered by the Agreement or would foreclosed the Council's consideration of modifications or alternatives to the undertaking that could avoid or mitigate the adverse effect until the commenting process has been completed.

- 5. If any of the signatories to this Agreement determine that the terms of the Agreement cannot be met or believes a change is necessary, that signatory shall immediately request the consulting parties to consider an amendment or addendum to the Agreement. Such an amendment or addendum shall be executed in the same manner as the original Agreement.
- 6. Within 90 days after carrying out the terms of the Agreement, VA shall provide a written report to all signatories to the Agreement on the actions taken to fulfill the terms of the Agreement.

Executive Director

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation

Medical Center Director
Veterans Administration

Nebraska State Historic Preservation (date)

Officer

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