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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL & CULTURAL RESOURCES  
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July 22, 2024

The Honorable Ken Weyler, Chairman  
Fiscal Committee of the General Court and

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu  
and the Honorable Council  
State House  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

**REQUESTED ACTION**

Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources (DNCR), to budget and expend prior year carry forward funds in the amount of \$400,000 for the preservation of significant publicly-owned historic properties and investing in the state's natural, cultural and historical resources pursuant to RSA 261:97-c, I, (a) upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2025. 100% Agency Income.

Funds will be budgeted in the following account:

03-035-035-350010-34050000 – Conservation Plate Funds

Class-Account	Class Description	FY25 Current Adjusted Authorized	Requested Action	Revised FY25 Adjusted Authorized
008-405368-12	Agency Income	\$1,637,531	\$400,000	\$2,037,531
009-405391-12	Agency Income	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000
<b>Total Revenue</b>		<b>\$1,687,531</b>	<b>\$400,000</b>	<b>\$2,087,531</b>
020-500200	Current Expenses	\$5,000	\$0	\$5,000
029-500290	Intra-Agency Transfers	\$200,000	\$0	\$200,000
040-500800	Indirect Costs	\$63,607	\$0	\$63,607
048-500226	Contractual Maint Build-Grn	\$650,410	\$400,000	\$1,050,410
069-500567	Promotional Marketing Exp	\$50,008	\$0	\$50,008
073-509074	Grants Non Federal	\$668,506	\$0	\$668,506
103-500736	Contracts For Op Services	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>\$1,687,531</b>	<b>\$400,000</b>	<b>\$2,087,531</b>

**EXPLANATION**

In accordance to RSA 261:97-b, I, DNCR is designated to promote use and conservation of cultural resources in New Hampshire. DNCR is requesting \$400,000 in carry forward fund revenue to be appropriated for FY 2025. This additional funding is necessary to continue to fulfill the requirements of the use of this dedicated fund through completing a long-

awaited project at the John Wingate Weeks Historic Site within Weeks State Park in Lancaster, NH. The conservation plate funds will be used to supplement the project costs which are primarily funded by \$2,500,000 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) federal funds with quickly approaching encumbrance deadlines. The work scope for the current project includes rebuilding the historic north terrace that was demolished in the 1960's due to deterioration, Americans with Disability Act (ADA) compliant access to the second story and bathrooms, code compliant egress stairs and foundation and drainage work at the auto garage. The Bureau of Historic Sites utilizes conservation plate funds for preserving publicly owned historic properties statewide.

The following appropriation authorities are being requested:

Class 048 – Contractual Maintenance – Building and Grounds – Appropriation increased to allocate the total portion of funds needed to support the projects for the Bureau of Historic Sites.

Respectfully submitted,



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sarah L. Stewart". To the right of the signature is a small circular stamp containing the initials "CSM".

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Sarah L. Stewart  
Commissioner