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October 8, 2009

The Honorable Lacy Collier  
1 North Palafox  
Pensacola, FL 32501

Dear Judge Collier:

At the September 18, 2009 UWF Board of Trustees meeting the board reaffirmed their desire to build the Vice Admiral John H. Fetterman State of Florida Museum on the current location contemplated in our lease, often referred to as "Site A." The university also wishes to formally express its interest in participating in the collaborative effort necessary to receive New Market Tax Credits. We sincerely appreciate the CMPA board's vote to defer the site discussion to the UWF Board of Trustees for consideration. We also appreciate the cooperation and eagerness displayed by the CMPA and City Council in executing the reservation letter necessary for participation in the New Market Tax Credit Program.

Thus, as we all move forward to meet the deadlines set forth by the Capital Trust Agency the university wishes to request that our current proposed location be delivered as an acceptable pad ready construction site by August 2010. However, we recognize there may be additional unplanned costs associated with accelerating this site. Therefore, in the spirit of cooperation the university commits up to \$25,000 to fund a study to determine the feasibility and cost of acceleration. We ask that the CMPA request that the master developer, MPDP, in cooperation and concert with the owner's representative, Hatch Mott MacDonald, begin this exploration and return a firm cost on or before November 4, 2009.

Additionally, at the request of MPDP we agree to reduce our minimum boat draft depth requirements from 10 feet to 7 feet within the property limits west of the west bulkhead with the understanding that we will have access to the south bulkhead for any vessels requiring a deeper draft.

The University of West Florida is pleased to participate in this project and we look forward to your favorable reply.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Judith A. Bense".

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