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The City of New Haven 165 Church Street New Haven, Connecticut 06510 Attention: Barbara Montalvo

bmontalvo@newhavenct.gov

Re: Historic District Commission

Dear Ms. Montalvo:

This is to confirm my interest in being considered for appointment to the New Haven Historic District Commission. As an architect who has practiced in New Haven for over thirty years, I have a deep appreciation and interest in the built fabric of the city, its history and evolution as a setting to support and enrich the life of all members of its community, and I believe I can contribute my experience for the benefit of New Haven as a member of the commission.

In practice with New Haven-based Newman Architects since 1985, and a principal in the firm since 1999, I was a project architect for the renewal of New Haven City Hall and led the design of four public schools in the city, all of which received AIA awards for design. Other projects for which I had design responsibility have won restoration and preservation awards. My architectural experience has given me a good understanding of how to engage with those portions of the city that are of historic significance while addressing contemporary needs. I believe that we have an obligation to respect what has been created in the past as part of our shared culture while recognizing that our relationship to the present is dynamic and so requires that we consistently seek better ways of appreciating how to interact with our built legacy as we shape the city for the future.

A graduate of the University of Adelaide (Bachelor of Architecture) in Australia and Yale University (Master of Environmental Design), in addition to practice I have taught in architecture schools at RMIT University and the Rhode Island School of Design and was an Adjunct Assistant Professor at the University of Adelaide. A founding publisher and editor of the Australian architecture journal, 'Transition,' I was also an editor of the Yale architecture journal, 'Perspecta 23.' My written commentary on architecture has been published in Australia, the United States, and Europe.

I will send a curriculum vitae under separate cover.

Please contact me if you have further questions. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Richard Munday