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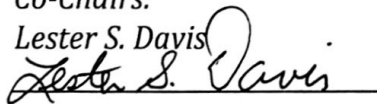
Winston Salem African American Archive
418 North Marshall Street
Winston Salem, NC

To the City of Winston-Salem:

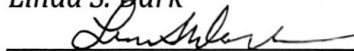
Our organization is the Winston Salem African American Archive, and as a collaborating partner with New Winston Museum, our membership supports the idea of the museum finding a home in the former federal bankruptcy court building located along the Strollway at the site now recognized as the Peter Oliver homestead. The Winston Salem African American Archive is a volunteer organization dedicated to the preservation of, and education about Forsyth County's African American history and cultural past. In addition to sharing space with the museum in both its former location and current offices, our two organizations have been frequent collaborators on public programs, walking tours, and exhibits. As the museum has been planning for a new home, we have continued to discuss ways to grow this partnership in the years ahead including moving our physical archive on-site and increasing efforts to collect more material, digitize it, and contribute to the dire need for more education about Winston Salem's African American legacy and contributions. New Winston Museum's coordination of exhibits and programs on the African American past makes for an excellent partnership with our organizations. We are in full support of its efforts to enter into an agreement with the city to become the primary tenant of the court building.

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