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SECRETARY GALVIN ANNOUNCES 41ST ANNUAL PRESERVATION AWARDS PROGRAM

William F. Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth and Chair of the Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC), is pleased to announce that the MHC is accepting nominations for the 41st Annual Preservation Awards Program.

Administered by the MHC the Preservation Awards Program recognizes preservation projects and individuals that have displayed an outstanding commitment to historic preservation in Massachusetts. Projects completed in the years 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018 are eligible for consideration.

The MHC encourages local historical commissions and societies, preservation professionals, and individuals to nominate exemplary preservation projects or individuals for this honor. Nominations must be received at the MHC's office in the State Archives Building by 5:00 pm on Tuesday, February 19, 2019. Emailed nominations cannot be accepted.

"The MHC's Preservation Awards Program highlights the important contributions of individuals and organizations to the preservation of historic resources in Massachusetts," Galvin said. "This is an excellent opportunity to recognize a significant historic preservation accomplishment in your community. I encourage everyone to nominate noteworthy projects or outstanding individuals."

The MHC accepts nominations in the following categories:

- Adaptive Reuse
- Archaeology
- Education and Outreach
- Individual Lifetime Achievement (20 or more years of exemplary service to historic preservation in Massachusetts)
- Landscape Preservation
- Local Preservationist
- Rehabilitation and Restoration



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Nomination forms and guidelines for the 41st Annual Preservation Awards are available on Galvin's website, <u>www.sec.state.ma.us/mhc</u>, or by phone at 617-727-8470.

The Massachusetts Historical Commission is the office of the State Historic Preservation Officer and the State Archaeologist. It was established in 1963 to identify, evaluate, and protect important historical and archaeological assets of the Commonwealth. More information about the Commission's programs may be found at <u>www.sec.state.ma.us/mhc</u>.

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