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RAHALL ANNOUNCES HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANTS

WASHINGTON, D.C.-- U.S. REP NICK RAHALL (D-WV) ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT OVER \$29 MILLION IN HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANTS WERE AWARDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR TO THE 50 STATES, THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, AND THE U.S. TERRITORIES. WEST VIRGINIA RECEIVED \$343,640 FOR THEIR PROJECTS ALONE.

THE AWARDS, WHICH INCLUDE \$4.5 MILLION TO BE GIVEN TO THE NATIONAL TRUST, WERE APPROPRIATED FOR THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND GRANTS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 1990.

"THESE FUNDS WILL NOT ONLY HELP US TO PRESERVE THOSE LANDS WHICH ARE SO UNIQUE AND SPECIAL TO WEST VIRGINIA, BUT THEY WILL ALSO GIVE A LIFT TO OUR THRIVING TOURISM INDUSTRY," SAID RAHALL.

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