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BRAMWELL HONORED BY PRESTIGIOUS PARK SERVICE PROJECT

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- A prestigious unit of the National Park Service will conduct a photo documentation project and exhibit of the historic architecture of Bramwell, U.S. Rep. Nick J. Rahall (D-WV) announced today.

"This project is a plum in Bramwell's cap," said Rahall. "It will enhance the town's national status by lending official recognition to its unique and significant historic and architectural resources."

The project will be undertaken by the Historic American Buildings/Historic American Engineering Record (HABS/HAER) unit of the National Park Service as a follow up to a visit made at Rahall's urging by some of its personnel to Bramwell last year.

"What we saw very much impressed us and we would very much like to have documentation included in the HABS collection in the Library of Congress," the chief of HABS/HAER, Robert Kapsch, wrote to Rahall's office. "For years I have been hearing of the unique architectural quality of Bramwell and this visit by our office confirmed the significance of the town," he added.

The photo documentation project will focus on select historic buildings in Bramwell. Once the project is completed, an exhibit will be held in Bramwell during the fall.

Rahall noted that a photo documentary on Bramwell will assist his legislative effort to have the town designated as a national historical park. At present, Harpers Ferry National Historical Park is the only unit of the National Park System of this type in West Virginia.

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