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Mr. Gus Collin
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Dear Gus:

Thank you and members of the Wilsonia community for meeting with Christine and I on July 19, 2013. I greatly appreciated your warm welcome and candid views on the history of our relationship, as well as your ideas for furthering our cooperation and mutual interests in preserving the Historic District.

A key point in our conversation was the need to establish a collaborative relationship that would promote confidence in the viability of Wilsonia as long term investment. I share your interest in this objective and look forward to working with you on a Memorandum of Understanding.

We also discussed interest in developing a mechanism by which the voice of the community can be considered in the building permit process. I am particularly interested in developing this idea further. Your input in determining the character and quality of the designed and natural environments is critical to achieving our mutual stewardship goals. To this end, I am interested in hearing your ideas for creating a representative body that can advise on such matters.

Thank you again for the warm welcome. Christine or I will be in contact with you to arrange another conversation regarding next steps in this process. Meanwhile, please contact me if you or members of the community have any questions.

Sincerely,

Woody Smeck
Superintendent