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**TOWN OF ACTON
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION**
472 Main Street, Acton, MA 01720

CERTIFICATE

Pursuant to Chapter 40C of the General Laws of Massachusetts and the Historic Districts Bylaw of the Town of Acton, the Acton Historic District Commission hereby issues a

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

for the work described below.

Applicant (or owner) Thomas and Cecelia Cropley Telephone 978-263-9075

Address 517 Main Street, Acton 01720

Location of Work (same) District: Center X West ___
No. Street South ___

Description of Proposed work:

Renovations including kitchen extension with deck and screened porch, chimney removal and rebuild, new entry porch on west ell, selected window replacement (Marvin "Ultimate" double-hung), gutter and downspout replacement (half-round painted aluminum, with concealed hangers.).

Conditions, requirements, recommendations:

- CONDITIONS: (1) New window casings shall match those existing
 (2) Reconstructed chimney on the west ell (1820s portion) shall either have brickwork that matches the chimney on the main part of the house or brick sample shall be submitted for the Commission's approval

The work outlined above must conform in all particulars to the submittals and conditions approved on December 4, 2006. The applicant may proceed with the proposed work provided all other approvals have been obtained, including a Building Permit or Sign License where required. This Certificate is valid for work commenced within one year of the date of issuance. An extension of the Certificate will be granted at the discretion of the Commission. If a property changes ownership during the time the Certificate is in force, a new owner who wishes to continue the authorized work must apply to have a new Certificate issued in his or her own name.

Application or request received 11/14/06 Date of Public Hearing 12/4/06

Certificate approved by [Signature] Date 12/19/06
for Historic District Commission

Copies to: Applicant
Town Clerk
Town Manager/BOS

Building Commissioner
HDC File
Planning Board



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HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
472 Main Street Acton, MA 01720

December 19, 2006

Thomas and Cecelia Cropley
517 Main Street
Acton, MA 01720

Dear Thomas and Cecelia:

Enclosed is a Certificate of Appropriateness from the Historic District Commission for the renovations you have proposed at 517 Main Street.

The application was approved unanimously by the HDC after a public hearing at its meeting on December 4. In its decision, the commission found that the work will be compatible with the property and the surrounding historic district if constructed according to the submittals and subject to the two conditions included on the certificate. Other findings made by the commission were (1) Skylights on east addition will not be visible from Main Street, (2) Shutters (Timberland red cedar) shall be hung in the traditional manner on pintel hinges, with louvers angled upward when in the open position, (3) For the east side porch and deck the applicant intends to match the style and dimensions of the railing of the front porch, which has a 2 by 4 rail, and use the same type of lattice and skirt. Applicant agreed that if the front porch lattice needs to be replaced, vertical/horizontal lattice shall be installed, and the new deck lattice shall match.

We thank you for your very comprehensive application and wish you good luck with the work. Please let us know if you have any questions or if your plans for change in any way. Items such as light fixtures or other minor changes to the work approved can usually be handled as amendments to the original application and certificate.

Sincerely,

Anne Forbes

cc: Acton Building Commissioner,
Bill Dickinson, Nashawtuc Architects