



February 28, 2019

Jennifer Betsworth
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Peebles Island
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Dear Ms. Betsworth,

It is with enthusiasm that I write to you to convey my strong support of the approval of the inclusion of Sag Harbor Hills, Azurest and Ninevah Subdivisions in Sag Harbor, collectively known as "SANS," on the State and National Registers of Historic Places.

During Post-WWII and the Jim Crow Era, a time when African Americans were excluded from residential, resort & recreational areas, African American families began to purchase land as a summer retreat, and SANS was established becoming a haven for African American life and culture. Today, it is one of the last remaining planned beach resorts primarily founded, developed and owned by African Americans.

Although the younger generation has options as to where to enjoy their vacation, they still find SANS as a place to fulfill fond memories and strong family traditions.

I strongly urge you to preserve this great treasure for future generations and designate SANS on the State and National Registers of Historic Places.

Charles D. Ranger

Sincerely