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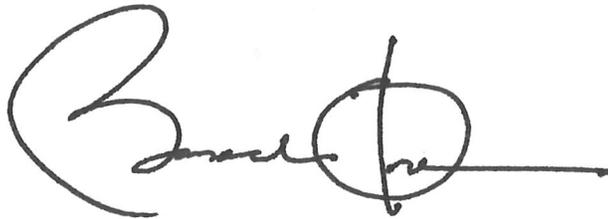
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I send greetings as you gather for a board meeting of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP).

Our history teaches us about who we are. It empowers us with the knowledge and perspective we need about where we come from in order to more effectively shape where we are going.

ACHP plays a vital role in preserving America's proud history today. Through your work advising Presidents and Congress and promoting effective preservation policies and initiatives at the Federal level, you have protected our historical heritage and striven to ensure our history reflects the diversity of the American experience. These efforts not only celebrate our history, but also help forge a future built on the vibrant, meaningful lessons of the past.

I thank everyone at ACHP for your important work. I appreciate your dedication to strengthening America's historical fabric, and I wish you all the best as you continue these critical efforts in the years to come.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Barack Obama", written in a cursive style. The signature is positioned at the bottom center of the page.