



March 6, 2020

Friends of Sheepford Road Bridge
Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania

To Whom it may Concern,

Cumberland County Historical Society (CCHS) would like to state their support for the preservation efforts of the Friends of Sheepford Road Bridge. CCHS is the official historical society for Cumberland County. Our mission is to preserve, protect and promote the history and heritage of the County. We strive to be a national model of demonstrating how history, storytelling, material culture and preservation promotes social well-being, service and citizen engagement with local resources.

Sheepford Road Bridge is a National Register eligible site that spans the Yellow Breeches Creek in Cumberland and York Counties. Built in 1887 by the Phoenix Iron Bridge Company, the bridge is an example of the Phoenix Column structure, an innovative construction technology developed in the 19th century.

The grassroots effort to save this historic and community structure is commendable. We encourage residents in the County to advocate and support preservation initiatives to ensure the longevity of the County's cultural resources. CCHS fully supports the work of the Friends of Sheepford Road Bridge, and we encourage others to support their efforts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L Varner".

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