COVENANT

between

ILLINOIS HISTORIC PRESERVATION AGENCY

and

THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this 23 day of July 1987 by and between the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency, hereinafter called the Agency; and the Winnebago County Forest Preserve District, hereinafter called the District;

WHEREAS, the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency has transferred, awarded and paid to the District an Illinois Heritage Grant in the amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) which sum was granted for the preservation of the Wm. Whitman Trading Post, located at 2221 Freeport Road, Rockton, Illinois.

WHEREAS, this grant is used exclusively for the purpose and scope of work relating to the historic preservation of the Wm. Whitman Trading Post, located at 2221 Freeport Road, Rockton, Illinois, as specified in the application from the District to the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency, as amended from time to time by the Agency and the District;

WHEREAS, the historic preservation work accomplished under this grant is in accordance with the "Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Historic Preservation Projects" as evidenced in plans, specifications, detailed descriptions or other materials submitted to the Agency and in accordance with recommendations and standards set forth;

WHEREAS, a Covenant is required on a property receiving grant assistance whenever the owner and/or the project sponsor has accrued certain tangible benefits;

WHEREAS, if the Wm. Whitman Trading Post, located at 2221 Freeport Road, Rockton, Illinois, is made available through a rental arrangement to organizations other than the District for various general public functions, the

the Wm. Whitman Trading Post, located at 2221 Freeport Road, Rockton, Illinois, provided that subsequent project undertakings shall in no way duplicate work accomplished under this award;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual advantages resulting from the respective obligations assumed under this AGREEMENT:

The District Agree(s):

- 1. To maintain financial and administrative records pertaining to this grant award for at least three (3) years following the completion of all project work conducted under this grant, or until all claims and audit findings involving the project have been resolved;
- 2. To comply with the requirements of the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency and assume the cost of continued maintenance and repair of the property so as to preserve the architectural, historical, or archaeological integrity of the property for the specified period of time in order to protect and enhance those qualities that made the property eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.
- 3. The District agrees that when the Property is not clearly visible from a public right-of-way or includes interior work assisted with Illinois Heritage grant funds, the Property will be open to the public no less than 12 days a year on an equitably spaced basis and at other times by appointment. Nothing in this agreement will prohibit the District from charging a reasonable nondiscriminatory admission fee, comparable to fees charged at similar facilities in the area. The District further agrees that when the Property is not open to the public on a continuing basis, and when the improvements assisted with Illinois Heritage grant funds are not visible from the public way, notification will be published in newspapers of general circulation in the community area in which the Property is located giving dates and times when the Property will be open to the public. Documentation of such notice will be furnished annually to the State Historic Preservation Officer during the term of the agreement.

THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE IN FORCE from May 1, 1987 until April 30, 1997, and shall be recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Winnebago County, Illinois, against the land whose legal description is as follows:

Starting from a point on the south bank of the Rock River which is 70° from the nearest point, or NE corner or the Whitman trading post, then 1600 feet from the starting point in a SW direction (225°), then in a NW direction (315°) a distance of 2100 feet to the bank of the Pecatonica River, then follow th south bank to the starting point.

This Historic district is located in Section Twenty-Three (23), Township Forty-Six (46) North of Range One (1) East of the Third (3rd)

Principal Meridian in the tract conveyed by Fred W. Rockwell and Wife to the Winnebago County Forest Preserve District by Warranty Deed dated January 10, 1927, and recorded on Page 97 of Book 330 of Deeds on January 20, 1927, in the Recorder's Office of Winnebago County, Illinois.

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ACCORDINGLY, the parties have executed this agreement on the day and year first written above.

ILLINOIS HISTORIC PRESERVATION AGENCY

Michael Devine

Witness:

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Notary Public Seal

for the Winnebago County Forest

Preserve District

Witness:

Notary Public Seal

"OFFICIAL SEAL"
TAMI L. GORAL

Notary Public, State of Illinois
Winnebern County

My Commission Expires 6/19/91

COUNTY RECORDER'S SEAL