COVENANT

between

ILLINOIS HISTORIC PRESERVATION AGENCY

and

SYCAMORE PUBLIC LIBRARY

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this 14th day of March, 1988 by and between the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency, hereinafter called the Agency; and Sycamore Public Library, hereinafter called the Library.

and paid to the Library an Illinois Heritage Grant in the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) which sum was granted for the preservation of the Sycamore Public Library, located at North Main Street, Carrollion, Illinois.

WHEREAS, this grant is used exclusively for the purpose and scope of work relating to the historic preservation of the Sycamore Public Library, located at 103 East State Street, Sycamore, Illinois, as specified in the application from the Library to the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency, as amended from time to time by the Agency and the Library;

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 Sycamore Public Library, located at 103 East State Street, Sycamore, Illinois, is made available through a rental arrangement to organizations other than the Library for various general public functions, the Library shall secure signed assurances from the renter stating that the renter shall not discriminate against individuals on the basis of race, creed, color,

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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 Library 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 Library 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 Library from charging a reasonable nondiscriminatory admission fee, comparable to fees charged at similar facilities in the area. The Library 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.

The Department Agrees:

1. To make periodic inspections of the site and facilities;

THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE IN FORCE from January 1, 1988 until December 31, 1998, and shall be recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of DeKalb County, Illinois, against the land whose legal description is as follows:

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Assessor's Lot 6 in Block 13 in the Original Town (now City) of Sycamore, excepting the West 64 feet thereof, situated in the County of DeKalb, in the State of Illinois.

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

ILLINOIS HISTORIC PRESERVATION AGENCY

Michael Devine

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Notary Rublic Seal

Gronne A. Johns

for Sycamore Public Library

Notary Public Seal

"OFFICIAL SEAL"
Paula A. Hess
Notary Public, State of Illinois
My Commission Expires 4/12/91

COUNTY RECORDER'S SEAL

Return to &prepared by:

Mr. James Walsh

Illinois Historic Preservation Agency
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