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Mrs. Velma R. Bigelow  
The Kaleva Historical Society  
14551 Wuoksi Ave.  
Kaleva, MI 49645

Dear Mrs. Bigelow:

I am happy to report that at the 4 December 1986 meeting of the State Historic Preservation Review Board, the nomination of the John J. Makinen Bottle House was approved for submission to the Keeper of the National Register, who will provide the formal determination. The Review Board passed the nomination with a national level of significance; nominations can have local, state or national significance. Therefore the Bottle House was given the highest level of significance possible, a level not often given. And as I recall from the several hundred sites presented since January of this year, the Bottle House is the first to have been given national significance by the Board; most have local significance, and a few state significance.

We will be revising the nomination one last time before submitting it to the Keeper (I'll send you a copy of that last version). The Keeper will then have 45 days to make a determination. From past experience, we should have that determination about the end of February 1987.

If you have any questions, please call me at 517/335-2721.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dick Harms".

Richard H. Harms  
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