



# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

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## *Department of Historic Resources*

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Mrs. Edith Stanton Ingram  
African American Heritage Preservation Foundation, Inc.  
60 Grove Street - 6513  
Wellesley, Massachusetts 02181

Dear Mrs. Ingram:

Thank you for your kind letter of July 18. Your family's interest and efforts to have the Stanton family cemetery placed on the Virginia Landmarks Register and the National Register of Historic Places is an inspiration for other families.

I am delighted that your success and good working relationship with this department may lead to an archaeological study and possible registration of the Stanton family home site as well. While the department does not have any grants for this type of work, you may count on our staff for technical advise and assistance in putting together grant applications, reviewing applications, and in writing recommendations for your project. Mr. David Hazzard will continue to be your contact person for further work.

When you apply for grants it helps to have an archaeologist already involved in planning the project. Organizations like the National Endowment for the Humanities require fairly sophisticated research plans. Both the University of Virginia and the Virginia Commonwealth University have archaeologists with research interests in African American sites. Ms. Drake Patton at the University of Virginia or Dr. Robin Ryder at Virginia Commonwealth University might be interested in helping you.

Thank you also for your good wishes in my new position. I look forward to hearing more from the Stanton family. Good luck in your endeavors.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "H. Alexander Wise, Jr.".

H. Alexander Wise, Jr.  
Director

