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To the Board;

For over seven years the Lorain County Section of the National Council of Negro Women has played a substantial role in making the Lorain Port Authority location a tourist destination. We have established and maintained a historical and attractive landmark at the Black River Landing, the Underground Railroad Memorial Garden. Each year we invest substantial time and money in the maintenance and revitalization of the garden which was installed in 2007.

This year our section is hosting the State Coalition for our organization. We expect over 100 attendees from all areas of the state, from Cleveland to Cincinnati. We want to spotlight the garden as part of our presentation. Therefore we are requesting the use of the Railroad Depot on the evening of April 8 from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM and on April 9 from 7:30 AM until 3:00 PM. The evening of the 8th will serve as a evening of entertainment for attendees and the April 9th date will consist of a plenary session with the rest of the day devoted to workshops.

We thank you for the excellent contributions the Port Authority has made to our community. We pledge to continue our work to support your efforts. Please let us know your decision as soon as possible so we may move forward with our planning.

Sincerely yours,

Dorothy Washington
President