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CECIL COUNTY GOVERNMENT

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4 October 2006

Isaac Rehert
4426 La Plata Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland 21211

RE: Historic Nomination – Rehert Center

Dear Mr. Rehert:

I am pleased to inform you that the Board of County Commissioners, at our meeting of Tuesday, 3 October 2006, approved your nomination to have the Rehert Center designated as a historic site. Exterior items of note to the Historic District Commission (HDC) on the site are the stone walls and family cemetery. The HDC will need to be consulted prior to any activities that may compromise these items.

Thank you for your interest in preserving Cecil County's historic heritage.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nelson K. Bolender".

Nelson K. Bolender, President
Board of County Commissioners

NKB/ess

CC: Eric S. Sennstrom, AICP – Director P&Z

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CECIL COUNTY REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
NOMINATION FORM

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CECIL COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING

Please refer to separate detailed instructions for completing this form.

Definition

"Property" refers to the entire geographic area being nominated. It may be an individual building, site, structure or object; or it may be a district consisting of numerous buildings, sites, structures or objects. An area consisting of several types of structures with different owners is also a property that is a district.

Nomination Information:

Please Print or Type

1. a) Name of property:

Rebert Center

b) Estimated age or historic dates:

Early 19th Century

2. Address of property:

103 Rebert Lane, Post Deposit, MD 21904

3. Tax Map:

0022

Parcel Number:

0008

4. Name, address, and telephone number of all property owners of record within the District:

Isaac Rebert

4426 LaPlata Avenue

Baltimore, MD 21211

~~410-812-1352~~ 410-235-3055

(Attach separate sheet, if necessary)

5. Description of property boundaries of the District:

58 1/2 Acres, bounded by Rowland Rd to the north, Sherrard property to the east, Hopkins (?) property to the south and Murray and Harasé properties to south and west. Rock Run runs through this property north to west

6. Attach a map showing the boundaries and location of the site or District.

7. Please provide photographs or slides showing the important structures or features of the property.

8. Please check all designations that apply to this nomination. Add descriptive information for those checked. Is or has this property, in any part, been listed or nominated to:



Cecil County Historic Designation:

present application

Maryland Register of Historic Properties:

- National Register of Historic Places: _____
- _____
- Maryland or Cecil Inventory of Historic Properties? _____
- _____
- A Preservation Easement by any historic organization? Identify _____
- _____
- Are there any other easements or rights of way affecting the District? Explain _____
- _____
- Other, explain _____
- _____

9. Please check all of the following criteria that apply to the property.

A. Historical or Archeological

- The property has character, interest, or value as part of the development or cultural characteristics of the County, State, or Nation.
- The property is the site of a significant County, State, or National historic event.
- The property is identified with a person or persons who significantly contributed to the development of the County, State, or Nation.

B. Architectural

- The property has distinguishing characteristics of an architectural style valuable for the study of a period, type, method of construction or use of indigenous materials.
- The property represents the work of a master builder, designer, architect or landscape architect whose work influenced the development of the County, State, or Nation.
- The property has elements of design, detailing, materials or craftsmanship that render it architecturally significant.
- The property has elements that make it structurally or architecturally innovative.
- The property has a unique location or singular physical characteristic that makes it an established or familiar usual feature.
- The property has character as a particularly fine or unique example of a utilitarian structure, with a high level of integrity or architectural significance.
- The property has significant interior features. List _____
- _____

10. Attach a statement describing the property, its historical significance, and the reasons why it should be designated to the Cecil County Register of Historic Places. At the end of the statement, please list your sources of information, including bibliographic references.

10. This old farmstead has been owned by Isaac Rehert since 1952. During the 1950's, Isaac worked the property as a dairy farm, while his wife, Ingrid Cromel Rehert, pursued her career as an artist. Many of Ingrid's works portray the farm buildings, the natural surroundings, the town of Port Deposit and the local population. While struggling to make a living as a farmer, Isaac taught at Tome School. In the 1960's he gave up farming and became a staff writer for the Baltimore Sun. His weekly column, with a Port Deposit byline, described the seasonal cycles of nature and lent a naturalist's perspective to life in general. His 1967 book, Rock Run Hollow, illustrated by Ingrid, presents material derived from his column and organized by nature's activities during the four seasons.

The farm buildings, the house and the barn, are almost 200 years old and their construction recalls building practices of the early 19th Century. The house has a stone basement, which was its original dwelling place and includes an active spring and a huge hearth. The basic structure of the house is a one-story log construction, featuring 16" x 16" squared logs that were roughly shaped by saws and adzes. Later additions were added above and around the log house so that it now has three stories, 7 bedrooms, living room, bath and large kitchen. The barn, which is undergoing renovation, consists of extensive stonework (some are large quarried granite stones) with post and beam construction, using huge timbers (up to 36' feet long and 16" in diameter) and thick floorboards which were scavenged from the river arks that plied their trade on the Susquehanna River in the early 19th century. The supporting timbers are flattened at the top for the floorboards and remain rounded beneath, many still retaining their bark.

The fields are still bounded by stone walls that were built by freed slaves shortly after the civil war. In one corner where two of these stone walls come together there is a family cemetery (largely vandalized) containing the graves of 14 – 20 individuals whose dates all precede the 20th Century. One of the individuals interred here is Captain Christie, who made a name for himself in defense of our young country during the War of 1812.

11. Signatures of owner(s) of record consenting to this nomination. If there are more than two owners, please attach a separate sheet providing the information indicated.

A. Print Name: Isaac B. Reher Date: Aug. 3, 2006

Signature: Isaac B. Reher

B. Print Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____

12. Name, address and telephone number of person submitting application:

Name: Stefan Zucker

Address: 3001 Henry Hudson Pkwy. #6D
Bronx, NY 10463

Telephone Numbers: (Home) 718-884-2471 Hours Available: after 6:00 PM
(Work) 646-245-8817 Hours Available: all times

E-mail address: SRZNYC@AOL.COM

Date 7/26/06

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Application Number: _____
Date received: _____
Date of Public Notice: _____
Election District: _____
Zoning District: _____
Land Use District: _____
Tax Map: _____
Parcel(s): _____

HDC Hearing Date: _____
PC Hearing Date: _____
CC Hearing Date: _____

ARTHUR D. HALL, III
NDS 16/157
214.40 A.
R 104

ULYSSES G. MCCOY
WAS 315/576
247.00A
R 54

ULYSSES G. MCCOY
WAS 315/576
53.87A.
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HOLMES C. SHERRARD
WAS 142/478
130.00 A.
R 9

ISAAC B. REHEAT
NDS 23/178
58.50A.
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EDGAR F. HOPKINS
RRC 104/490
P.32

ETHELMARY HONORE, et al
NDS 285/527
96.00A.
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CHAS. C. VANCE
23.00A
P. 15

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MAP 23-R4













