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To: General Authorities; Area Seventies; Stake, Mission, and District Presidents; Bishops
and Branch Presidents

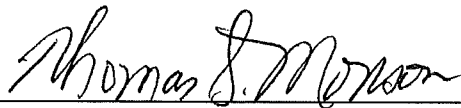
Dear Brethren:

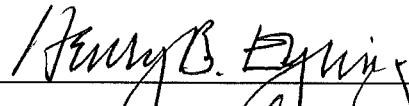
Priesthood Restoration Site

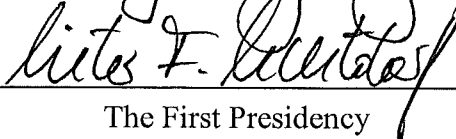
We are pleased to announce plans to restore the site known in Church history as Harmony (now Susquehanna), Pennsylvania. At this location, between 1827 and 1830, Joseph Smith translated much of the Book of Mormon and received 15 of the earliest revelations contained in the Doctrine and Covenants. There, on May 15, 1829, Joseph Smith and Oliver Cowdery received the authority of the Aaronic Priesthood from John the Baptist. Nearby, a little later, they received the authority of the Melchizedek Priesthood from Peter, James, and John. The planned reconstruction of the historic buildings and farm setting at Harmony will include construction of monuments commemorating the restoration of the priesthood.

Because of the significance of this site to Aaronic and Melchizedek Priesthood bearers worldwide, we invite those who are interested to make a small, one-time contribution to the restoration of Harmony by specifying "Priesthood Restoration Site" on the Tithing and Other Offerings slip that is available from bishops and branch presidents.

Sincerely yours,







The First Presidency

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