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EARLE G. SHETTLEWORTH, JR.

August 30, 2010

Theo H. B. M Holtwijk Town of Falmouth 271 Falmouth Road Falmouth, Maine 04105

Re: Plummer-Motz School and Lunt School

Dear Mr. Holtwijk:

Thank you for guiding me on the extensive and informative tour of the Plummer-Motz School and the Lunt School on August 18, 2010 in Falmouth, Maine. The historical information you provided me and the photographs I took during the site visit have been carefully examined by the staff of the Maine Historic Preservation Commission to determine if either of these resources meets the criteria for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

Although the schools are interesting structures with important local historical associations, we do not feel that they possess those exceptional qualities of historic importance or integrity which are required by the criteria established for nomination to the National Register. This decision is primarily based on the fact that the three older school buildings (Lunt, Motz and Plummer) have been significantly altered over time, with important character defining features, including windows, wall materials, and plan altered as the educational needs of the school system evolved. Their historic integrity of design and materials are also effected by the attached 1975 gymnasium and the 1990 addition to the Lunt School. They are, however, buildings in which the community can take justifiable pride and which ought to be carefully maintained and preserved.

I have taken the liberty of placing the information in our files which are available for research purposes. I am also enclosing a sketch of another property designed by John Thomas, the architect of the Plummer School, which I believe closely resembles the original configuration of that building. Thank you for your interest in the National Register program.

Sincerely,

Christi A. Mitchell,

Coordinator, National Register of

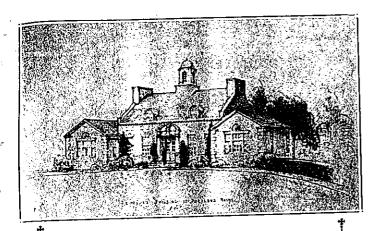
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