6 June 2019

Jennifer R. Cervenka, Chair
Coastal Resources Management Council
Oliver H. Stedman Government Center
4808 Tower Hill Road
Wakefield, Rhode Island 02879

Re: CRMC File Number 2019-05-022
Mark Oravec
9 Lee’s Wharf
Newport, Rhode Island

Dear Ms. Cervenka:

The Rhode Island Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission (RIHPHC) staff has reviewed the Application for State Assent for the referenced project. The applicant is proposing to demolish the existing house on the property. No. 9 Lee’s Wharf, a shingled 2-story, end-gable-roof house built circa 1890, is a contributing resource in the Southern Thames Historic District, which is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. The building retains a moderate level of integrity, and the buildings in the vicinity of the property are non-contributing.

The demolition of contributing resource in a historic district constitutes an adverse effect on historic properties. To mitigate the adverse effect, the applicant should document the building to the standards of the Rhode Island Historic Resource Archive. The documentation should include interior and exterior photographs, an architectural description and a brief history of the property. An example of the documentation is enclosed. The RIHRA number for this project is NEWP-0005.

These comments are provided in accordance with Section 220 of the Coastal Resources Management Council. If you have any questions, please contact Glenn Modica, Project Review Coordinator, or Charlotte Taylor, Staff Archaeologist of this office.

Sincerely,

J. Paul Loether
Executive Director and State Historic Preservation Officer

enclosure