

**LYNDON BAINES JOHNSON
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION BUILDING
BUILDING IDENTIFICATION PLAQUES
301 7th Street, SW
Washington, D.C.**

Delegated Action of the Executive Director

Pursuant to delegations of authority adopted by the Commission on October 3, 1996, I approve the preliminary and final building plans pursuant to 40 U.S.C. § 8722(b)(1) and (d) for installation of two new building identification plaques, as depicted on NCPC Map File No. 1.71(38.00)42260.

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The General Services Administration has submitted plans to install new building identification plaques at four entrances to the headquarters of the Department of Education, formerly known as Federal Office Building Six (FOB 6). The building has been renamed in accordance with Public Law 110-15, enacted on March 23, 2007, which designated the building located at 400 Maryland Avenue, SW as the “Lyndon Baines Johnson Department of Education Building.”

The work will involve the removal of existing building lettering at two entrance locations on Maryland Avenue and two entrance locations on C Street SW, and replacement of the existing lettering with cast aluminum plaques with a charcoal gray background, brushed aluminum lettering, and a brushed aluminum beveled border. The plaques will be 55” wide and 68” tall.

Pursuant to the requirements of NEPA, the General Services Administration has determined that this action qualifies for an automatic categorical exclusion from the requirement to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) pursuant to paragraph 5.3 of the PBS NEPA Desk Guide (October 1999). The GSA has also determined that as the building is not eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, no historic resources will be affected and no consultation is required under Section 106 of NEPA, and NCPC concurs. NCPC has reviewed the proposed action under NEPA and determined that it adheres to the Categorical Exclusion requirements under §8(C)(2) of NCPC’s Environmental and Historic Preservation Policies and Procedures.

The Coordinating Committee reviewed the proposal on June 13, 2007, forwarding the proposal to the Commission with the statement that the project has been coordinated with the agencies present.

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Executive Director