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Fort Hancock  
21<sup>st</sup> Century Advisory Committee  
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Dear Sir or Madam,

My husband and I are interested in leasing one of the houses in Fort Hancock in order to renovate it for us and for our grown children.

In 1968 we were one of a number of young couples who bought brownstones in NYC and renovated them and helped get them landmarked so that they would be protected forever. We grew up in the suburbs but we were drawn to the old buildings in the city.

My house was in Chelsea. At that time there were no trees in the neighborhood and the townhouses were literally falling apart. We not only renovated but we planted trees and formed block associations.

In 1996 my husband and I bought one half of a floor in a loft building in Chelsea. It was an old warehouse. We built the apartment including the floors, ceilings and hallway walls from empty space keeping the integrity of the original columns and the historic architecture.

We are now spending most of our time in Sea Bright. The first time we saw the houses out there in Sandy Hook we fell in love. The history and beauty of the houses is wonderful. They deserve to be restored and cared for.

Depending on the terms of the lease, we are prepared to put upwards of one million dollars into the restoration of one of these fine houses and would plan to move there from Sea Bright.

Thank you,

Ginette Kingman and Richard J. McLynn