

Boston Valley Terra Cotta

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Re: Historic Preservation Creating Jobs

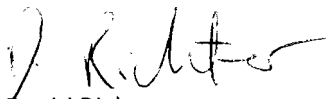
To Whom it may concern,

Boston Valley Terra Cotta is a terra cotta manufacturing firm located in New York state recreating decorative blocks for historic buildings, as well as producing a variety of blocks for new construction. We have been in business for 123 years and employ over 140 people, many of whom have specialized preservation skills. We create career opportunities and hire and train new employees in preservation trades who certainly give back to the community.

Building preservation has always been a large part of our business allowing us to grow and develop as a manufacturer. Working on landmark designated properties has been a pleasure and good for our business, letting us employ highly skilled craftspeople to recreate sculptural details and match complicated colors and finishes. There are thousands of terra cotta buildings in New York, including gems like The Woolworth Building, 90 West Street, and The McGraw Hill building which require the skilled crafts people we employ to maintain these buildings.

Working on both historic and new construction projects, we find landmark requirements do not detract from jobs in New York, in fact they generate jobs and help make sure projects are historically accurate. Therefore, we feel the Landmarks Law should be upheld. It absolutely helps in keeping highly skilled individuals employed.

Thank You,



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