KARE Email News, Vol. 1, No. 13, 19 December 2007: National Register, Kasson School Letter Writing Campaign

Kasson Alliance Supporters,

Thank you to all of you who responded to our recent press release regarding the historic Kasson School being placed on the National Register.

The Rochester Post Bulletin ran a story on this in Monday's paper.

Check out the Post Bulletin article at:

http://www.postbulletin.com/newsmanager/templates/localnews_story.asp?a=319735&z =2

The following is a quote from the paper on the cities' response to the news:

City Administrator Randy Lenth said he was somewhat surprised by the federal decision. But he said the new distinction [National Register] would not prevent the city from demolishing it. "We can still tear it down. We just need to jump through more hoops," Lenth said.

Supporters: Obviously, KARE still needs your help and support. You are encouraged to write a letter to city officials. It does not matter where you live. The attached is an example letter to give you some ideas (write in your own voice). This is your chance to offer your support to the historic school by writing a letter to the mayor or, if you have time, a letter to all the councilmen. If you prefer, you could write a letter to the mayor and send a copy to the councilmen. The cities' legal council (George Hoff and Shelley Ryan) also launched a new legal campaign against KARE today (more on that later).

Note that letters to the Editor are also an option. The Dodge County Independent accepts letters to the editor thru email (of course supply your contact info) or you can mail in your letter. A letter to the editor in regards to the school appears this week in the DCI (see: http://www.dcinews.com/). The DCI can be reached at:

Dodge County Independent Letter to the Editor PO Box 367 105 1st Ave. NW Kasson, MN 55944 507-634-7503 Fax 634-4446

Email: dci@kmtel.com

Website: http://www.dcinews.com/)

Let us know if you write or email a letter. The elected official's addresses (and some email addresses) are:

Mayor Tim Tjosaas 307 10th Ave NE 507-634-7094 mayor@cityofkasson.com

Councilmen Mike Marti 604 13th Ave NW Kasson, MN 55944 planning_eda@cityofkasson.com

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Questions and replies to this email will be cheerfully responded to. Thank you,

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The Kasson Alliance for Restoration (KARE) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization formed in January 2007 to raise awareness about the contribution the historic Kasson School and other properties have made to our community and to promote their preservation.

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