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## **CHRISTIE ANNOUNCES APPROVAL OF DISASTER GRANTS FOR HISTORIC SITES IN 12 COUNTIES**

*\$11 MILLION EARMARKED FOR HISTORIC SITES DAMAGED BY SUPERSTORM SANDY*

TRENTON – The Christie Administration today unveiled a list of historic properties selected for Sandy Disaster Relief Grants for Historic Properties to fund the preservation, stabilization, rehabilitation and repair of New Jersey historic structures that were damaged by the storm, Department of Environmental Protection Commissioner Bob Martin announced today.

After review by the New Jersey Historic Trust, 37 Sandy-impacted sites were deemed eligible for some \$8 million in grants. Sites are located in Atlantic, Burlington, Cape May, Cumberland, Essex, Hudson, Mercer, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Somerset and Union counties. Major projects include the Hoboken Public Library, Newark Museum, Ventnor City Hall, Acorn Hall in Morristown, and the Romer Shoal Lighthouse near Sandy Hook.

In addition, grants were approved for two Sandy battered state historic properties: \$2 million towards the restoration of the historic Central Railroad of New Jersey Terminal at Liberty State Park in Jersey City and \$500,000 towards a structure and shoreline protection project at historic East Point Lighthouse in Maurice River Township in Cumberland County.

“These grants will help finance the vitally important task of preserving and sustaining our state’s heritage, to restore and protect important links to the past that were damaged by Superstorm Sandy,” said Commissioner Martin, whose agency oversees the State Historic Preservation Office.

“This restoration work will allow future generations to fully enjoy and treasure these historic sites, which enhance the quality of life for all residents of New Jersey, ” added State Historic Preservation Office Administrator Dan Saunders.