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National Park Service Awards Grant for The Short Hills Battlefield National Register Nomination

NEW JERSEY – The National Park Service today announced that the American Battlefield Protection Program (ABPP) has awarded a grant of \$31,523 to the Metuchen-Edison Historical Society.

“We look forward to working with the Metuchen-Edison Historical Society,” said Paul Hawke, Chief of the American Battlefield Protection Program. “National Register nomination projects like this are vital to protecting endangered historic resources and battlefields.”

This grant is one of 33 ABPP grants totaling \$1,360,000 to assist in the preservation and protection of America’s historic battlefields. In keeping with the American Battlefield Protection Program’s mandate to assist in the preservation of significant battle sites from all wars fought on American soil, this year’s grant recipients represent a great variety of wars, ranging from the Colonial-Indian Wars to the Civil War. Funded projects include site mapping, archeological study, National Register of Historic Places nominations, preservation and management plans and GPS/GIS data collection.

The American Battlefield Protection Program funds projects conducted by federal, state, local and tribal governments, nonprofit organizations, and educational institutions. The ABPP’s goal is to safeguard and preserve significant American battlefield lands for present and future generations as symbols of individual sacrifice and national heritage. For additional information about the awarded grant project, please contact Mr. Walter Stochel, Jr., President, Metuchen-Edison Historical Society, PO Box 61, Metuchen, NJ 08840, 732-906-0529. The American Battlefield Protection Program is located in the National Park Service, 1849 C Street NW (2255), Washington, DC 20240, 202-354-2037. Additional information about the ABPP, including a list of other 2009 grant recipients, can be found at www.nps.gov/history/abpp.

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