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E. C. FABBER, Commissioner September 10, 1975

Mr. James O. Preston Department of Environmental Conservation Division of Lands and Forests 50 Wolf Road Albany, New York 12233

Re: Moon Trees

Dear Mr. Preston:

Per our conversation on Monday, September 8, I am putting the following information and request in writing.

It was brought to our attention that your department will be in possession of "moon trees", grown from sycamore seeds that have traveled to the moon on one of our experimental flights, and that these trees will be available to governmental and local groups under certain conditions.

Our Department is involved in the development of a project which is a national landmark, the Fulton Ferry in Brooklyn which comprises, besides several landmark buildings and land areas, a newly built park.

George Washington crossed the East River with his army at this point, it is the site of the first Brooklyn/Manhattan ferry service, and the site from which Roebling designed and oversaw the building of the Brooklyn Bridge.

Several Bicentennial events are currently planned to take place there.

This site has, and will continue to have, 24-hour security service. We feel that we can meet whatever requirements might be necessary to secure one of the "moon trees". The site is a point of interest to the public.

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We hope you can comply with this request. If you need any further information, do not hesitate to call my staff. The people to contact are Mr. Charles Kriss at 566-0454 or Ms. Nancy Neil at 566-0183. I would appreciate a response in writing.

Thank you for your help.

Very truly yours,

Edgar C. Fabber, Commissioner Department of Ports and Terminals

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