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**PLANTING FIELDS FOUNDATION HOSTS
NEW YORK STATE BOARD FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION
QUARTERLY MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 5**

Oyster Bay, New York – September 6, 2019 – Planting Fields Foundation hosted yesterday the New York State Board for Historic Preservation quarterly meeting to review 14 new sites nominated for addition to the National Register of Historic Places, all of which were approved. Open to the public, the session took place in the Great Hall of Coe Hall with members of New York State Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation in attendance, as well as National Register staff and Planting Fields Foundation staff. Presentations were given by Planting Fields Foundation Executive Director, Gina J. Wouters as well as Chris Flagg, Chief, Historic Site and Park Services. For a complete list of the 14 nominated and approved sites, please visit <https://parks.ny.gov/shpo/national-register/nominations.aspx>.

About the State and National Registers of Historic Places

The State and National Registers of Historic Places are the official lists of buildings, structures, districts, objects, and sites significant in the history, architecture, archeology, engineering, and culture of New York and the nation. The same eligibility criteria are used for both the State and National Registers. The National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 and the New York State Historic Preservation Act of 1980 established the National and State Registers programs. In New York, the Commissioner of the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, who is also the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), administers these programs.

About Planting Fields Foundation

Planting Fields Foundation preserves and interprets Planting Fields Arboretum State Historic Park as the premier public garden and Gold Coast estate for today and tomorrow while creating enriching experiences for the visiting public. Founded in 1955 by William R. Coe, the

Foundation is a not for profit public educational foundation chartered by the New York State Board of Regents and tax exempt under the status for a 501C3 organization.

Located in Oyster Bay, New York and originally landscaped by the Olmstead Brothers of Brookline, Massachusetts, the Arboretum grounds feature 409 acres of greenhouses, rolling lawns, formal gardens, woodland paths and outstanding plant collections. The original historic estate buildings remain intact including Coe Hall, a 65-room Tudor Revival mansion designed by Walker & Gillette. The interior of the house is a showcase of artistry and craftsmanship and features a distinctly American aesthetic through original ironwork commissions by Samuel Yellin and murals painted by artists Robert W. Chanler and Everett Shinn. Planting Fields is included in the National Register of Historic Places, the official list of the Nation's historic sites worthy of preservation.

To learn more about Planting Fields Foundation, please visit the website at www.plantingfields.org.
