

COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Office of the Governor

Robert F. McDonnell Governor

December 11, 2013

John R. Lawson, II Chairman Fort Monroe Authority Board of Trustees Old Quarters #1 151 Bernard Road Fort Monroe, Virginia 23651

Dear Mr. Lawson:

I have reviewed the Fort Monroe Authority Master Plan (Plan) approved by the Fort Monroe Authority Board of Trustees (Board) on Thursday, October 24, 2012, at its duly convened meeting at Fort Monroe.

Pursuant to the requirements of § 2.2-2339.1 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, I approve the Fort Monroe Authority Master Plan effective this date. I also request that the Board continue to work with all interested parties to mitigate any unnecessary negative impact on the historical attributes of the site in order to maximize its viability as a national treasure, while implementing the designated public and private uses of the property.

Thanks for all the work you, the Board, and the staff have done over the past years to design a thoughtful plan and preserve this historic fort.

Sincerely,

Robert F. McDonnell

ce: Glenn Oder, Executive Director, Fort Monroe Authority
The Honorable Jim Hopper, Secretary of Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security