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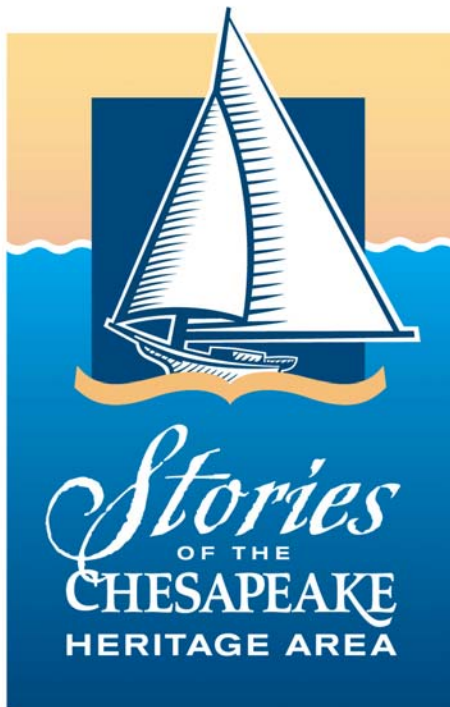
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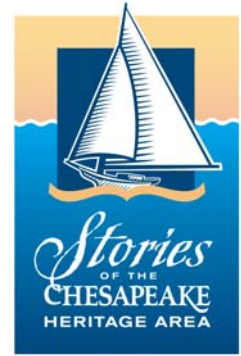
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Dear Heritage Area Jurisdiction:

Enclosed is the next-to-final draft of the Stories of the Chesapeake Heritage Area Management Plan. The Maryland Heritage Areas Authority (MHAA) has notified us that this plan meets its base requirements toward certification.

The most important step remaining in achieving state certification is your voluntary action to adopt this plan as part of your local comprehensive plan, which will enable the state program's benefits to be available to your agencies, nonprofit organizations, and tourism business owners.

Once all jurisdictions willing to become a part of this heritage area have accepted this plan, this document will be printed in limited quantities for final distribution, first undergoing additional proofing and formatting to improve readability and design. Maps shown are final but subject to corrections by reviewers; in some cases they will appear in color and in larger format. Photos and captions are subject to corrections by reviewers; photo subjects are welcome to offer a substitute for consideration in the final document. To see photos and maps in color, visit our web site. A version of the Executive Summary, expanded and redesigned, will be made available to the public in newsletter form following the MHAA's final certification.

This document is Volume 1 of a product that now divides the Public Draft of June 7, 2004 into three volumes. Chapter 2 of the last version is now Volume 2, History & Significance, and Volume 3 collects background information not necessary for adoption as local policy. For more information about changes, as well our suggestions for how you might handle further requests for substantive changes during your public reviews, see a separate memo conveyed with this plan or visit our web site for a struckthrough version of the June 7, 2004, Public Draft.

The Board of Directors and Advisors of Eastern Shore Heritage, Inc., thank you for your support over the many years it has taken to produce this important document. It holds the promise of binding our region together in the quest for excellence in caring for its heritage, and we look forward to working with you to make this vision become a reality in the years ahead.

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