

WITNESSES CHOSEN FOR HEARING ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND HURRICANE RELIEF

October 28, 2005 - The Subcommittee on Federalism and the Census has selected witnesses for the November 1 hearing entitled, "Historic Preservation vs. Katrina: What Role Should Federal, State and Local Governments Play in Preserving Historic Properties Affected by this Catastrophic Storm?" Subcommittee Chair Michael Turner is the majority co-chair of the Historic Preservation Caucus, and has engaged his Subcommittee in other "big picture" considerations connecting historic preservation to other Congressional concerns, including the Save America's Cities Working Group (which includes a Historic Preservation Subcommittee) and an October 25th hearing entitled, "The Challenge of Brownfields: What are the Problems and Solutions in Redeveloping Pennsylvania's Lehigh Valley Communities?" which took place in historic Bethlehem, Pennsylvania and included Stephen Donches, President of the National Museum of Industrial History.

The November 1 oversight hearing will be divided into two panels. The first panel includes representatives from local and state organizations: H.T. Holmes, Mississippi State Historic Preservation Officer and Director, Mississippi Department of Archives and History, Derrick Evans, Founder/Director, Turkey Creek Community Initiative, Patricia H. Gay, Executive Director, Preservation Resource Center of New Orleans, and David Preziosi, Executive Director, Mississippi Heritage Trust.

The second panel includes: John L. Nau, III, Chairman, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, Dr. Janet Matthews, Associate Director for Cultural Resources, National Park Service, The Hon. Mitchell J. Landrieu, Lieutenant Governor, State of Louisiana, Richard Moe, President, National Trust for Historic Preservation, Norman Koonce, and Executive Vice President & CEO, The American Institute of Architects.