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SAVE AMERICA'S TREASURES FUNDING TOPS LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

Last year, preservationists around the country successfully protected funding of the nationally successful Save America's Treasures (SAT) program. The President's Budget Request for fiscal year 2007 -- recently sent to Congress -- again proposes to cut the funding in half, from \$30 million to \$15 million. As we did last year, the Trust will ask Congress to oppose these cuts as it develops its spending bills and restoring SAT funding will be one of our top priorities this legislative session. Losing these funds for SAT would be a major setback for historic preservation and for the ability of your Representative and Senators to directly support local historic preservation projects that make a difference in your community. Your voice helped restore critical funding last year, and we hope we can count on your support again to protect this vital program.