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Mr. Fred Gaske, Director
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Division of Historic Resources
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500 Bronough Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0250

Dear Mr. Gaske,

As President of the Central Gulf Coast Archaeological Society, I am writing this letter of strong support for the Florida Anthropological Society's (FAS) application to the Bureau of Historic Preservation for a grant to assist in funding Florida Archaeology Month (FAM) activities in 2005. The ninety members of Central Gulf Coast Archaeological Society (CGCAS) all know the importance of educating the public on Florida's archaeological and historical resources. The adults and students of Pinellas, Hillsborough, Pasco, Hernando and Polk Counties have learned about the rich heritage of our state from the posters, bookmarks and booklets distributed each year during Florida Archaeology Month. In the past few years the Society has documented that over 4,000 people, both students and their parents, have benefited from the FAS printed materials that they have received in our area. We (CGCAS) continue to use this important material throughout the year and not just during FAM. Florida Archaeology Month is a very significant celebration throughout the state and it needs this annual support to continue to be the success that it has become.

Sincerely,

Dr. Roger F. Block, President

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