



Mackinac Island State Park Commission  
Policy

Historic Preservation and Interpretation

Act 451, P.A. 1994, Part 767, Sec. 76703  
Minutes: November 3, 1972, P. 1355  
December 7, 1973, P. 1428  
December 6, 1976, P. 1635  
February 4, 1977, P. 1643  
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Preamble:

The properties under the jurisdiction of the Mackinac Island State Park Commission include some of the most significant historic sites in the United States. The Commission has an obligation to preserve, protect, and interpret these sites for the benefit of the public (Act 451, P. A. 1994, Part 767, Section 76703).

General Policy

Most of the historical restoration, reconstruction, and interpretation in these parks is financed with revenue bond funds, although general funds and federal grants have also provided financing. Every effort is made to seek, acquire, and analyze all available information with regard to the history of the Straits area in order that the restoration, reconstruction, and interpretation of these sites may be as authentic, interesting, and lively as possible.

While historical programs in the Straits area undertaken by other governmental agencies or private individuals are encouraged by the Commission (Minutes November 3, 1972, p. 1355; December 7, 1973, p. 1428), historical programs or performances on properties under the Commission's control may be carried out only by the Commission. Informal assistance may be given to other projects if requested (Minutes December 6, 1976, p. 1635 and February 4, 1977, p. 1643).