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To Whom it May Concern:

I did not know that Hilcare had a Historical Preservation Foundation until I saw the money in the newspaper.

I am writing to you to see if you can help as guide me toward paving a road to an old cemetery. The land was donated by my deceased husband's ancestors back in the mid 1800's and is still being used. It is located off of 2167 (Old Sulphur Hwy) and is in Gregg County. There are approximately 30 tombstones and a few large rocks which are probably grave markers from way back in time. There is a dirt road leading to it but it washes out terribly and there are large holes making it difficult for driving. Not to mention how embarrassing it is when we have a burial there. I mow and weed several times a year and try to keep it looking neat, but the

road is so bad that I really  
do get discouraged as do the  
people who have family buried  
there.

There is no sign on the road  
but I believe it is named "Mt.  
Sylvan Cemetery" and I also believe  
that at one time there was a  
Baptist Church there by the same  
name. A lot of people know  
the cemetery as being the "Slavic"  
Cemetery.

If you have any pull with  
the County or wherever would  
do the maintenance we would  
all be so appreciative.

Please feel free to contact  
me at your convenience.

Thank you,

Pat Slaven

Rt 3, Box 125

Hildores, N. Brunswick  
984-7639

# FAX

P. O. Box 1094  
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Date 3/20/02

Number of pages including cover sheet 3

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NORMAN Black  
Fudge Griffin

From:

Sue Brown

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**REMARKS:**

Urgent

For your review

Reply ASAP

Please comment

KHP7 received this letter but think this  
matter falls under auspices of Gregg City Hist —

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## Gregg County Historical Commission

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Chairman

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Longview, Texas 75602

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July 17, 2002

Mr. Bob Barbee, Commissioner, Pct. 3  
Gregg County, Texas  
Rt. 4, Box 648  
Longview, Texas 75604

Re: Sign for Mt. Sylvan Cemetery

Dear Commissioner Barbee:

It has been requested by Mr. Roby Whitaker and Ms. Pat Glover, who both maintain the Mt. Sylvan Cemetery, that an identifying sign be made and erected for the cemetery. The cemetery is located on FM Road 2767 off Texas Highway 31 (near the Country Tavern) in western Gregg County. The entrance to the cemetery is by way of a non-dedicated dirt road less than one mile from Hi-way 31 on the south side of FM 2767. Without a sign it is very difficult to see the entrance to the cemetery which is some distance down the dirt road.

Mt. Sylvan Cemetery is an old historic cemetery containing seventy-two known burials (July 10, 1985), with the oldest known burial, August 15, 1873 (Fannie Willbank). It is surrounded by a chain-link fence and is well-cared for by these two people. Prior to his recent death, Mr. Cap Glover maintained the cemetery.

It is my understanding that TxDOT has requested a copy of this letter and I also was told TxDOT would erect and possibly construct this sign. If any assistance is needed by the Gregg County Historical Commission please contact me.

Sincerely,

Norman W. Black, D.D.S.



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*The State Agency for Historic Preservation*

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**LETTER OF  
TRANSMITTAL**

**TO:**

<b>DR. NORMAN BLACK</b>	<b>DATE:</b>	<b>APRIL 12, 2004</b>
<b>CHAIR, GREGG CHC</b>	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>ANNETTE BETHKE</b>
<b>417 MOBBERLY AVE.</b>	<b>RE:</b>	<b>MT. SYLVAN CEMETERY</b>
<b>LONGVIEW TX 75602</b>	<b>TYPE:</b>	

<b>COPIES</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
1	Recorded Affidavit of Dedication and Exhibit A for Mt Sylvan Cemetery

Remarks:

<b>Copy:</b>	Reading File THC Web Site: <a href="http://www.thc.state.tx.us">http://www.thc.state.tx.us</a>	<b>Processed By:</b>	Annette Bethke Administrative Assistant History Programs Division Texas Historical Commission (512) 463-1305 (512) 475-3122 Fax <a href="mailto:annette.bethke@thc.state.tx.us">annette.bethke@thc.state.tx.us</a>
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TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION KENNETH OAKS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The State Agency for Historic Preservation

AFFIDAVIT OF DEDICATION FOR CEMETERY PURPOSES FOR THE MT. SYLVAN CEMETERY

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF GREGG

§ KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:
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That the Texas Historical Commission, an agency of the State of Texas, does hereby certify and declare:

That the Mt. Sylvan Cemetery, previously filed and recorded in the Official Public Records of Gregg County, Texas, in Volume K, Page 597 and Volume D, Page 183, and more particularly described in Exhibit A as attached hereto, has been set aside and dedicated for cemetery purposes through historic use and that such property is now occupied by human graves.

That the current property owners of land out of which said cemetery was set aside and dedicated for cemetery purposes, or access to the cemetery are Millard F. Glover and Ruthie Ingram & Dezzie Johnson.

That the Texas Historical Commission has duly considered the evidence of existence and historic use of said cemetery and has listed said cemetery as a Historic Texas Cemetery, worthy of preservation.

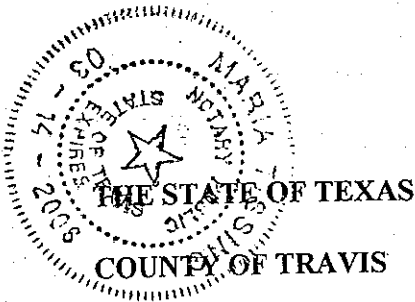
That this dedication is subject to all the laws, rules, and regulations of the State of Texas regarding cemeteries now in effect and to those adopted after the effective date of this dedication, and is made in accordance with 13 Tex. Admin. Code Section §21.30.

This Affidavit of Dedication for Cemetery Purposes is signed and executed on this 30th day of October, 2002.

[Signature of Terry Colley]

Terry Colley
Deputy Executive Director
Texas Historical Commission

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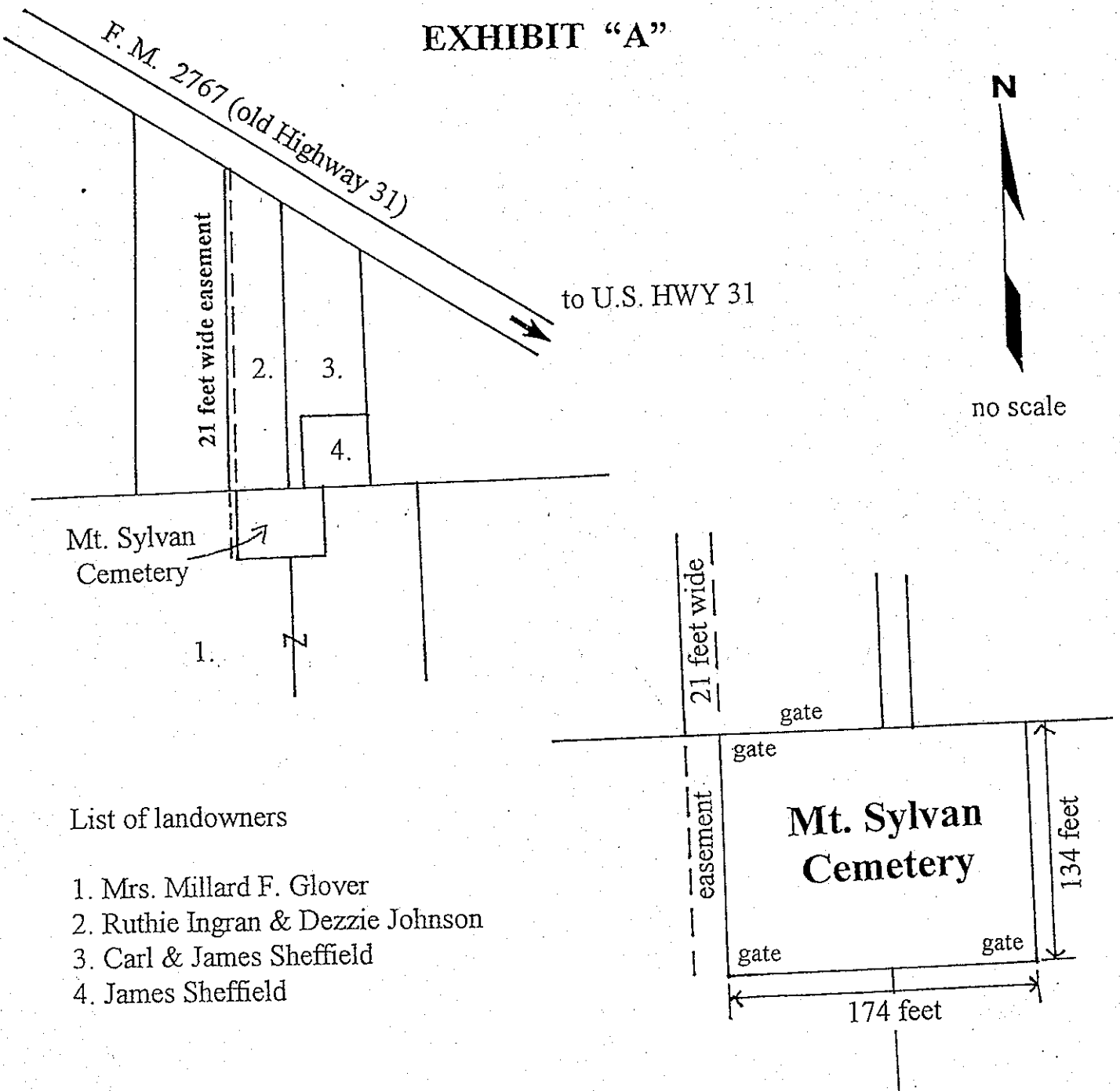


BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Terry Colley, known to me to be a credible person, whose name is above subscribed, and said person swore to me the statements contained herein are true and correct.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME on this 30th day of October, 2002.

[Signature of Notary Public]
NOTARY PUBLIC in and for the STATE OF TEXAS

# EXHIBIT "A"



## List of landowners

1. Mrs. Millard F. Glover
2. Ruthie Ingran & Dezzie Johnson
3. Carl & James Sheffield
4. James Sheffield

Map adopted from data provided by the applicant and Gregg County Appraisal District.  
See Deed Records of Gregg County, Volume K, Page 597 (less 2 acres...establishment of  
Mt. Sylvan Church for purpose of cemetery) and  
Volume D, Page 183 (one and a half acres of land).

Located in George Melton Survey, A-144, Gregg County, Texas.

UTM: Zone: 15 Easting: 313694.9 Northing: 3584328.2

Cemetery located at Latitude 32° 22' 49.43" N Longitude: 94° 58' 49.29" W.

## MT. SYLVAN CEMETERY

Also known as Glover Cemetery

Cemetery No. GG-C037

Gregg County

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OFFICIAL PUBLIC RECORDS

*Laurie Woloszyn*

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GG \$11.00  
LAURIE WOLOSZYN, COUNTY CLERK  
GREGG COUNTY, TEXAS

*Roby Whittaker  
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