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HISTORIC LEVI CORY HOUSE TO BE SAVED

MOUNTAINSIDE, NJ – A historic property on the corner of New Providence Road and Mountain Avenue (2 New Providence Rd.) in Mountainside has been sold. The seller & buyer have graciously agreed to allow the Mountainside Restoration Committee to take possession of the landmark structure located on the property and save it by moving it to a secure location.

This structure (circa 1818), which was most recently the home of Patterson Interiors preceded by Barrett & Crain Realtors, was originally on property owned by the Miller & Cory families who were prominent members of the "Westfields" of Elizabethtown and Mountainside communities. Levi Cory once owned the house and rented it (in 1892) to the founders of the "Children's Country Home" as a summer retreat for inner city children. This was the beginning of what is now the Children's Specialized Hospital.

Because of its significance in the history of the Mountainside/Westfield area, the Mountainside Restoration Committee has proposed to move the house and save it from destruction. The Borough of Mountainside has allowed the Committee to use borough-owned property located on Constitution Plaza between the Mountainside Fire Department and Mountainside Library to situate the Levi Cory house. This will place it next door to Mountainside's Deacon Andrew Hetfeld House – a very suitable neighbor.

The Mountainside Restoration Committee is relying on fund raising to fund the move of the Levi Cory house and the site preparation required to permanently place it on Constitution Plaza. Parties interested in helping to fund this move are asked to contact the Committee at (908)789-9420; or email: hetfieldhouse1@yahoo.com. Donations can also be mailed to Carol Clark – Treasurer, MRC/Levi Cory House, 308 Summit Rd., Mountainside, NJ 07092 (checks payable to Mountainside Restoration Committee). The Mountainside Restoration Committee is a 501-C3 charity and all donations are tax-deductible. Since the Mountainside Restoration Committee is an all-volunteer committee, 100% of the proceeds will go toward costs associated with the move and restoration of the Levi Cory house.

The Mountainside Restoration Committee is a committee of volunteers governed by the Borough of Mountainside whose purpose is to maintain the Deacon Andrew Hetfield House & The Levi Cory House and collect and save historic information and items from destruction. For further information, please call (908)789-9420; or, go to: www.mountainsidehistory.org

PHOTO CAPTION: A photograph of the former Levi Cory house as Barrett & Crain Realtors. In 1892, the house was the "Children's Country Home" – the beginnings of Children's Specialized Hospital. The structure is planned to be saved and moved by the Mountainside Restoration Committee.