Dear Friends:

I am thrilled to report the many accomplishments of the Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation—SVBF—in 2007! The numbers prove it, and I want to share just a few highlights. But I must first acknowledge the dedicated and diligent work of four SVBF Trustees whose terms ended at the end of 2007: Faye Cooper, Beverly Fleming, Kay Frye, and Susie Hill. Each of them gave six years of excellent service to the Foundation.

I also want to welcome trustees whose terms began in 2008: Randy Bryant of Lynchburg, Virginia, Howard Kittell of Roanoke, Virginia, Patrick Chase Milner of Warren, Virginia, and Donovan E. Hower of Warrenton, Virginia. We all look forward to their continued service and support for SVBF.

We have been fortunate to have had the guidance and commitment of many trustees, and we thank each of them for his or her support. And all of them continue to serve on SVBF committees—so their commitment has not ended.

Most important of all, we are grateful to the thousands of individual supporters who have made SVBF’s work possible. With your support, SVBF has preserved more than 230 acres of battlefield land, donated by individuals, such that they have entrusted us with stewardship of their cherished sites. SVBF’s donors include 3,600 individuals, 150 families, 250 businesses, and 165 organizations.

With best regards to all of you who are helping us fulfill our vision and mission.

Sorrells of Greenville. We are so pleased to have them with us! (These are just a few of the SVBF supporters who have contributed $250 or more in 2007).

Winchester, Jean Clark of Lexington, Richard Hobson of Alexandria, and Nancy Hess of Shepherdstown.

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see the level of confidence that the Battlefields Foundation has responsibility very seriously. It is tremendously gratifying to of the Battlefields Foundation take this

In January 2007, the Powers family of Winchester protected 33 acres on the Cedar Creek for almost 50 years and wanted to ensure that this remnant of the fort would be stakeholders to stabilize and protect the fort's remains and, Star Fort. Neighboring developers also donated a buffer area around the fort. The Foundation will collaborate

In the summer of 2007, the Middlesex Artillery-Fleet's successful but devastating campaign played a pivotal role in the reelection of Abraham Lincoln

At the federal level and in many states, planning is underway to recognize the momentous four-