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Trust for Architectural Easements Offers Free Copies of Putnam Hill Walking Tour to Greenwich, CT Seminar Attendees

**February 19, 2010, Greenwich, CT** – In advance of its February 24<sup>th</sup> Greenwich, CT seminar on financial incentives for historic preservation, the Trust for Architectural Easements – one of the largest preservation-easement holding organizations in the country – is publishing a walking tour of Putnam Hill, CT. The Trust protects more than 800 historic properties in Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Maryland, Virginia, Illinois, and California.

On Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m., a representative of the Trust for Architectural Easements will give a free, informational seminar on the Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentive Program at the Greenwich Library. Copies of the Putnam Hill Walking Tour will be distributed at the seminar.

The seminar will explain how protecting a historic structure benefits the community and can also result in a federal income tax deduction. The Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentive Program gives historic-property owners who agree to preserve the exterior of their properties a financial incentive for their historic preservation efforts.

To be eligible, the property must be individually listed in the National Register of Historic Places or the property must be in a registered historic district that is listed in the National Register of Historic Places, and certified as contributing to the historic district by the National Park Service. More than 2,500 historic properties in Connecticut qualify.

“The National Register of Historic Places is the federal program that provides public recognition of our nation’s historic resources, whether architectural, cultural, or archaeological,” said Steve McClain, president of the Trust for Architectural Easements.

The Trust for Architectural Easements is a leading force in the preservation of architectural heritage in the United States. To RSVP for the Greenwich, Connecticut seminar or learn more about the Trust’s local preservation efforts, the Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentive Program and the donation process, contact the Trust at 1-888-831-2107 or visit [www.architecturaltrust.org](http://www.architecturaltrust.org).