



North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources

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Mr. James Sutton Jr.
St. David's School
3400 White Oak Road
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Dear Mr. Sutton:

I write to inform you that, at their meeting on December 16, members of the North Carolina Highway Historical Marker Advisory Committee approved text for a replacement marker about John Chavis. The committee approved an inscription as follows:

JOHN CHAVIS
ca. 1763-1838

African American teacher,
preacher, & Revolutionary
War veteran. Taught free
black & prominent white
students in school nearby.

Plans call for erecting the sign in the place of the existing John Chavis marker on East Street at Worth Street in Raleigh alongside Chavis Memorial Park. Depending on the availability of funds, we plan to order the marker in about two months. Casting and shipment generally require another couple of months so placement likely cannot occur until May or June. Once the order is filed in March, we should receive an expected delivery date.

If you have any questions, you can reach us at 919-807-7290 or write me at michael.hill@ncdcr.gov.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael Hill".

Michael Hill
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