



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

December 12, 2022

**Peter Obst**  
**127 North 20th Street**  
**Philadelphia, PA 19103**

Dear Peter Obst:

We are pleased to inform you that the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission (PHMC) has approved the historical marker nomination for the **Edward Pizek - founder of Mrs. Paul's Kitchens frozen fish production, philanthropist** marker that you submitted for the 2022 nomination period.

PHMC staff looks forward to working with you to approve the final text and coordinate production and dedication of this marker within the coming year. **Alli Davis, Historical Marker Coordinator, is hosting a marker dedication training session on January 9, 2023 at 1:00pm.** You are highly encouraged to attend. Please register by going to: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/historical-marker-dedication-information-webinar-registration-483905784227>. If you cannot attend the session, a recording and slide deck will be made available. There will also be a Q&A session held in February. More information to come soon.

As announced earlier this year, PHMC is assuming the costs for the fabrication and shipping of Historical Markers. However, the sponsor is still responsible for the coordination and costs associated with the installation and dedication event

Before we can begin the process, you must complete the **Responsibility Agreement**. By completing this form, you indicate that PHMC retains final approval of a historical marker's title and text and that you are responsible for the coordination and costs associated with the installation of the marker and the dedication event. Installation of a marker may require municipal approval so please contact your municipality for more information. The City of Philadelphia requires coordination with the Department of Streets to for all marker installations. Instructions and contact information are enclosed.

A **Permission to Install** form is enclosed. PHMC does require the approval of the property for all marker installations. The form must be signed by the property owner or person with jurisdiction over the location where the marker is to be installed.

The **Shipping Information** form must be completed prior to placing the order for the marker to ensure delivery to the correct location.

When the dedication date is set, please return the enclosed **Dedication Ceremony** form so there is ample time to coordinate the event and approve the invitation and program. It is anticipated that **June 2023** is the earliest date to schedule a dedication due to required time for the text approval process, marker fabrication and delivery, and dedication planning. If no action is taken by you or a sponsoring organization by **June 30, 2025**, the nomination will become inactive and must be resubmitted for the annual evaluation process.

Finally, the enclosed dedication planning material provides you with guidance and information about the planning a marker dedication event and the responsibilities of a nominator and/or local sponsor.

Thank you for your continuing efforts to preserve Pennsylvania's rich heritage and congratulations once again on your successful marker submission. If you have any questions, please contact Alli Davis, Historical Marker Program Coordinator, at (717) 705-4266 or [alldavis@pa.gov](mailto:alldavis@pa.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Andrea Lowery". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping "y" at the end.

Andrea Lowery  
Executive Director  
Pennsylvania State Historic Preservation Office  
Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission

Enclosures

**The Marker Panel had some specific suggestions or contingencies regarding the finalization of your Approved marker, which are summarized below.**

**2022 Marker Panel Summaries**

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Edward Piszek - founder of Mrs. Paul's Kitchens frozen fish production, philanthropher

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