Appendix A – CPA Preliminary Proposal

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This form may be copied. Please type or print clearly, answer all questions, use "N/A" if not applicable. Use additional paper as needed.								
1-A	A Applicant Information							
	^{ame:} Abraham	First Name: Vanessa						
Organization(s)(as appropriate) Town of Groton Public Library								
1-B	Regional Project? YES NO ✓ If YES, Town/Organization:							
2	Submission Date: 10/24/2024							
3	Applicant Address							
Street	99 Main St	City: C	Groton	State: MA	^{Zip:} 01450			
	Phone:	Email:						
4	Phone: 978-448-8000	va	braham@gpl.	org				
5	CPA Purpose (Check all that apply)							
Affordable Housing: Community Housing: Historic Preservation: Open Space: Recreation:								
As per MA General Law Chapter 44B, proposed historic projects that are not on the structures listed on the state's Registry of Historic Places require a determination by the Groton Historic Commission that the proposed project is of historic significance.								
6	Project Address/Property Owner's Name:							
7	Project Name: Townwide Digital Preservation Assessment							
8 Community Preservation Plan Objectives — Use codes from SECTION 5 to indicate all that apply								
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Proposal Basic Description

Groton Digital Preservation Initiative

The Groton Historical Commission, Groton Public Library, and Groton Historical Society & History Center are seeking Community Preservation Act (CPA) funding to initiate a Digital Preservation Assessment (DPA). This assessment will lay the groundwork for a long-term, comprehensive preservation plan for Groton's digital historical resources.

Key Goals:

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- Centralized Discovery: Create an online catalog that links to all available Groton digital resources, including the original's owning organization and contact details.
- Digital Repository: Establish the Groton Public Library as a central repository for donated digitized materials and support other town organizations with their digitization projects.
- Community-Wide Collaboration: Develop a town-wide approach to digital preservation, starting with the three core institutions and expanding to other organizations over time.

Next Steps:

The DPA would be conducted by the Northeast Document Conservation Center (or similar organization) to identify the current state of digital collections, assess preservation needs, and develop a roadmap so we move forward effectively and efficiently with expert guidance as one community to address our town-wide digital and historical preservation goals.

This initiative is the first step in a multi-part, multi-year effort to organize, preserve, and make accessible and discoverable all of Groton's digitized history.

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Co-Applicant Signature:		Date:	
Co-Applicant Signature:	Gus G. Widmayer	Date:	10/22/2024