tin Cox, Jr., the lessee named in this lease. Upon examination of the provisions of this lease and of the conditions and restrictions therein contained, I find that the same are in conformity with House Bill No. 584, enacted by the 79th General Assembly under date of May 31, 1911, 102 O. L., 293, and other statutory enactments relating to leases of this kind. I am, accordingly, approving this lease, as is evidenced by my approval endorsed upon the lease and upon the duplicate and triplicate copies thereof, all of which are herewith enclosed.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. BRICKER,

Attorney General.

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APPROVAL—LEASE TO M. & E. CANAL LANDS IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP, MIAMI COUNTY, OHIO—BERT PEMBERTON, TROY, OHIO, JACOB MARTIN, PIQUA, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, October 3, 1936.

Hon. Carl G. Wahl, Director, Department of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio

DEAR SIR: You have submitted for my examination and approval two canal land leases in triplicate, executed by you as Superintendent of Public Works and as Director of said Department, to Bert Pemberton of Troy, Ohio, and to Jacob Martin of Piqua, Ohio, respectively. By these leases which are each for a term of fifteen years and which provide for the payment of annual rentals in the sum of six dollars and ten dollars, there are leased and demised to the lessees above named parcels of Miami and Erie Canal lands in Concord Township, Miami County, Ohio, and containing as to the first lease above referred to one acre of land as to the other lease 1.90 acres of land, more or less.

The leases here in question have been executed by you under the authority conferred upon you for this purpose and by the DeArmond Act, so-called, 114 O. L., 546, providing for the abandonment of the Miami and Erie Canal between the points therein named, and for the sale or the lease of the same. Assuming, as I do, that no part of the parcels of Miami and Erie Canal lands covered by these leases has been designated for highway purposes or taken over for park purposes as authorized by this act and by the Farnsworth Act, 114 O. L., 518, I find that you are authorized to execute these respective leases to the persons therein named for cottage site and agricultural purposes, as therein stated.

Finding that these leases have been properly executed by you as

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Superintendent of Public Works and as Director of said Department, acting for and on behalf of the state of Ohio, and by the lessees therein named, and that the provisions of these leases and the conditions and restrictions therein contained are in conformity with said DeArmond Act and other enactments relating to leases of this kind, I am approving these leases as to legality and form, as is evidenced by my approval endorsed upon said leases and upon the duplicate and triplicate copies thereof, all of which are herewith returned.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. BRICKER,

Attorney General.

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APPROVAL—CANAL LAND LEASE TO LAND IN WASHING-TON TOWNSHIP, MIAMI COUNTY, OHIO.

Columbus, Ohio, October 3, 1936.

Hon. Carl G. Wahl, Director, Department of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR: This is to acknowledge the receipt of your recent communication with which you submit for my examination and approval a canal land lease in triplicate in and by which in consideration of the payment of an annual rental of thirty dollars, there is leased and demised to the Division of Conservation of the Department of Agriculture of the state of Ohio that portion of the abandoned Miami and Erie Canal, including the full width of the bed and banks thereof, located in Washington Township, Miami County, Ohio, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a line drawn at right angles to the transit line of the H. E. Whitlock Survey of said canal, as made in 1915, through Station 7678, of said survey, and running thence southerly with the lines of said property sixty-three hundred and eighty-six (6386¹) feet, as measured along the transit line to a line drawn through Station 7741+86, and being the northerly line of a lease granted to the applicant herein, under date of August 15, 1933, and containing sixteen and forty-three hundreths (16.43) acres, more or less.

This lease is one executed by you under the general authority conferred upon you as Superintendent of Public Works by Section 464, Gen-