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April 2, 1980

Mrs. Lee Kimcha
Director
Institute of Museum Services
Department of Health, Education, and
Welfare
Washington, D.C. 20202

Dear Lee:

It has come to my attention that Old Westbury Gardens, Inc., in Old Westbury New York, has made an application to the Institute of Museum Services for assistance under the 1980 grants program.

The support requested from the Institute would allow the Gardens to continue the major restoration work which was initiated over a year ago. The grant would be especially useful in maintaining a carpenter, a painter, and a mason on the full time staff. Like most similar institutions, the Gardens are faced with inflation that makes it exceedingly difficult to maintain current services to the public.

I want to take this chance to express my support for this request for General Operating Support and hope that the Institute will act favorably on it.

Warm regards.

Ever sincerely,

Claiborne Pell
Chairman
Subcommittee on Education, Arts, and Humanities

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