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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

June 27, 1994

The Honorable Robert C. Byrd  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Just a quick note concerning this year's appropriations for the National Endowment for the Arts. I am very hopeful that you will maintain the Endowment's current funding for the coming year. Although I am aware of the recent controversy concerning the Walker Institute, I consider the problem to have been a carryover from the previous administration and I have full confidence in Jane Alexander's efforts to steer this agency in the proper direction.

A reduction in funding for the Endowment would be unfortunate for many invaluable cultural programs around the country, and I believe that the problems of the agency can best be addressed in the context of next year's full scale reauthorization. You may be sure that I have every intention of doing a very thorough examination of the Endowment's practices.

With very real regard and respect, I am

Sincerely,

Claiborne Pell  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Education,  
Arts and Humanities