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January 11, 1959

Mrs. Anne Wexler
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, DC 20501

Dear Mrs. Wexler:

At the request of Mr. Charles France, Director of Press for the American Ballet Theatre, I am sending you a copy of my recent letter to the President on behalf of Miss Lucia Chase.

With warm regards.

Ever sincerely,

Claiborne Pell
Chairman
Subcommittee on Education,
Arts, and Humanities

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The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20501

Dear Mr. President:

It is indeed a great pleasure to write this letter on behalf of Miss Lucia Chase, who, I believe, has been nominated to receive the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

Miss Chase is one of our truly legendary figures in the performing arts. Her contributions to the field of dance have been both as a Principal Dancer with the American Ballet Theatre and, for the last 35 years, as the company's Director. It was over this period that the Ballet Theatre became one of our country's most acclaimed performing arts institutions.

As the American Ballet Theatre begins its 40th anniversary year, I can think of no honor more fitting than to recognize Miss Chase with this distinguished honor. I am happy to add my enthusiastic support to this nomination.

Warm regards.

Ever sincerely,

Claiborne Pell
Chairman
Subcommittee on Education,
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