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TO: Alliance Members

FROM: Lisa Phillips
Executive Director

The White House has sent to the Senate a list of nominees for confirmation to serve six-year terms as members of the National Council on the Humanities. As you know, the Council reviews and makes recommendations on grant applications made to the Humanities Endowment. The Council is made up of 24 members with staggered terms so that one-third of the Council members are replaced every two years.

The Senate must approve these nominations, and the process is relatively pro forma. This year, however, members of the Senate have expressed greater interest in the nominees than in the past, and we may see a hearing before the Senate Labor, Health and Human Services Committee on the qualifications of the nominees.

The following list of nominees and their backgrounds is summarized from documents sent to the Senate. The material initially was provided by the nominees themselves.

Nominees

- Kathleen S. Kilpatrick
  President, American Literary Society and Publisher, The Yale Literary Magazine

- Leon Richard Kass
  Henry R. Luce Professor of the Liberal Arts of Human Biology, The College and The Committee on Social Thought, University of Chicago

M.D., University of Chicago, 1962
Ph.D. in Biochemistry, Harvard University, 1967

Member, American Association for the Advancement of Science
Fellow and Member of the Board of Directors, Institute of Society, Ethics, and the Life Sciences

William Barclay Allen
Associate Professor of Government, Harvey Mudd College/Claremont Graduate School
Ph.D., Claremont Graduate School, 1972
Consulting Editor, Improving College and University Teaching
Program Administrator, Liberty Fund Bicentennial Project
"Uncle Tom & Father Calvin: Seminal Ideas in Uncle Tom's Cabin," Polit.

Helen Marie Taylor
Political and civic activist with extensive experience with regional and national theater companies and with the Virginia Republican Committee and Republican National Committee.
Royal Academy of Dramatic Art, London
Chairman, Executive Committee, James Monroe Memorial Foundation
Member, Eagle Forum
Virginia State Co-Chairman, Moral Majority

Mary Josephine Conrad Cresmore
Homemaker and civic leader active in the North Carolina Republican party
A.B. in Economics, Woman's College of North Carolina, 1957
President, Raleigh (NC) Chamber Music Guild
Member, Board of Directors, Wake County Phi Beta Kappa Association

James Vincent Schall
Associate Professor, Department of Government, Georgetown University
and ordained Roman Catholic priest
M.S.T. in Theology, University of Santa Clara, 1964
Ph.D. in Political Theory, Georgetown University, 1960
Member, American Political Science Association
Member, Fellowship of Catholic Scholars
Member, American Catholic Committee
Redeeming the Time, Sheed, 1968.

Two additional nominees will be submitted to the Senate in the near future.
The following page is a list of current Council members. Those with terms expiring in 1984 will no longer serve once the nominees are approved by a vote of the U.S. Senate.