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Michael Maynard, Petty Officer Second Class
Point Judith Coast Guard Station
Narragansett, Rhode Island 02882

Dear Petty Officer Maynard:

Thank you for following up on our recent meeting at the Point Judith Coast Guard Station.

I am delighted that you are interested in developing a history of the Life Saving Service as part of the approaching Coast Guard Bicentennial. The achievements of the Life Saving Service are not widely known, and I believe that a history of the search and rescue mission would be timely and enlarge the public's understanding of the importance of the Coast Guard.

I am afraid that financial support for this project from state and federal sources is going to be difficult to come by. One person who might offer you some suggestions is Tom Roberts, the Executive Director of the Rhode Island Committee for the Humanities. In the past, I know that the Committee has been interested in promoting local history projects. Tom can be reached in Providence at 273-2250.

Thank you for sending me a copy of your outline for the book and please let me know if I can help you in connection with this important project.

Warm regards,

Ever sincerely,

Claiborne Pell

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