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CHARLES THONE  
GOVERNOR

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## STATE OF NEBRASKA

LINCOLN 68509

August 7, 1979

Senator Claiborne Pell  
Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Pell:

It has recently come to my attention that you are proposing legislation which would change the existing relationship between the states and the various state committees for the humanities.

The Nebraska Committee for the Humanities is a vital asset to the cultural and educational environment in Nebraska. The Committee has fulfilled its mission in an efficient and acceptable manner.

The relationship fostered by the existing Federal legislation between the State of Nebraska and the Committee has been amicable, productive and fruitful. Accountability has been maintained through annual reports and citizen input.

Formalizing the current relationship by designating the Committee as a State agency would create another layer of administration that might tend to divert funds from programming. Few, if any additional benefits would accrue to the citizens of Nebraska and the quantity and quality of programming might decline.

It would be my hope that you will reconsider your proposed legislation. I do not think that the current relationship between the State of Nebraska and the Committee for the Humanities should be disturbed; the relationship has proven to be beneficial to all concerned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Charles Thone". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,". A horizontal line is drawn across the page, passing through the signature.

CHARLES THONE  
Governor

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