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**TO :** Senate Subcommittee on Education, Arts and Humanities  
Attention: Alexander Crary

**FROM :** Susan Boren  
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**SUBJECT :** **Specific Appropriations for Museums in the 101st and 102d Congresses**

With regard to your request concerning which individual museums or related museum foundations/organizations received specific appropriations from the Congress, we have prepared two tables, one for the 101st Congress and one for the 102d Congress. Each table gives the name of a specific museum or a museum-related institution, the appropriations bill/law or rescission bill/law through which it received funds, was denied funds, or was mentioned, and a description of the specific appropriation and the amount.

Specific appropriations listed in the following tables are a result of computerized searches (using the specific term "**museum**") from two different legislative information data bases, SCORPIO maintained by the Congressional Research Service (CRS) and House Information System (HIS) (text of legislation searches for the 101st and 102d Congress) maintained by the House of Representatives. Miguel Marquez, our Technical Information Specialist, helped with the HIS search. We have searched the text of appropriations bills at each stage of their consideration before being subsequently enacted plus we searched reports that accompanied these bills. We are including only appropriations proposals that were enacted into law, except for pending 1993 appropriations bills. We have also discussed rescission bills.

As you specifically requested we searched in particular for museums in Florida and for references to Steamtown. The only listing for Florida that appeared was for a Cultural Center to be constructed in North Miami Beach under the Veterans Administration and Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Appropriations Act, 1991. With regard to Steamtown, the Department of the Interior Appropriations for 1991 specified funds for construction and rehabilitation of locomotive artifacts. However, the Department of the Interior Appropriations Act 1992 required that **until** March 1, 1992 none of the funds appropriated for Steamtown without Steamtown being authorized. (See table for 102d Congress). According to our SCORPIO search, several bills were introduced to authorize Steamtown, and H.R. 3519 passed the

House on February 25, 1992 with no further action recorded. The House proposes a 1993 appropriation of \$14,000,000 for Steamtown whereas the Senate reported bill provides \$0 funding.

The resulting tables should not be considered definitive. There are a multitude of bills and reports to be considered and a variety of ways in which appropriations are specified in these sources. (Some museums may not be characterized as "**museums**" in report or bill language; they may be described and not named). We have included only those for which the term "**museum**" is an index term or used in the legislation and reports. In addition, we have not distinguished between those institutions that already have an ongoing relationship with the Federal Government. Some of the museums listed have traditionally received and relied at least in part upon Federal appropriations for their operating budgets. For example, various museums under the jurisdiction of the Smithsonian Institution, including the National Museum of Natural History, are provided Federal appropriations in addition to private and trust funds. We have not included "Salaries and Expenses" for the Smithsonian Institution although it does control over 15 museums and exhibition halls.

We hope this information meets your needs.

<b>TABLE 1. Specific Appropriations for Museums in the 101st Congress (FY 1990 and FY 1991 Appropriations)</b>			
<b>Name of institution/ museum</b>	<b>Appropriations law/bill</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Cabor/Dedalo Museum Foundation	Dept. of Defense Appropriations, 1991, H.R. 5803, P.L. 101-511	Grant for project costs	\$2,000,000
*Consortia of museums-- National Institute for the conser- vation of cultural property	Dept. of the Interior Appropriations, 1991, H.R. 5769, P.L. 101-512	Preservation of artifacts	600,000
*Cordell Hull Museum (Tennessee)	Dept. of the Interior Appropriations, 1991, H.R. 5769, P.L. 101-512	Construction of a museum at the Cordell Hull residence	500,000
Cultural Center, North Miami Beach, Florida	VA and HUD Appropriations, 1991, H.R. 5158, P.L. 101-507	Grant for a per- forming arts and cultural center	995,000
Institute of Museum Services	Dept. of the Interior Appropriations, 1991, H.R. 5769, P.L. 101-512	Grants and administration	26,000,000
Institute of Museum Services	Dept. of the Interior Appropriations, 1990, H.R. 2788, P.L. 101-121	Grants and administration	22,675,000

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FY 1991 Appropriations)--Continued**

<b>Name of institution/ museum</b>	<b>Appropriations law/bill</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
*Japanese-American Museum (Los Angeles)	Dept. of Treasury, Postal Service, General Government Appropriations, 1991, H.R. 5241, P.L. 101-509	A grant to the Japanese-American National Museum	39,000
*Lawrence Welk Museum (Strasburg, North Dakota)	Dept. of Agriculture Rural Development Appropriations, 1991, H.R. 5268, P.L. 101-506 (in report language)	Rural development grant to restore birth-place of Lawrence Welk	(500,000) (full amount rescinded--see 102d Congress table 2)
National Building Museum	Dept. of Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government Appropriations, 1991, H.R. 5241, P.L. 101-509	Repairs and alterations	4,500,000
National Museum of the American Indian	Dept. of the Interior Appropriations, 1991, H.R. 5769, P.L. 101-512	Exhibition, reinstallation, the National Museum of the American Indian, and repatriation of skeletal remains program	18,332,000
National Museum of Natural History	Dept. of the Interior Appropriations, 1991, H.R. 5769, P.L. 101-512	Construction funds for the East Court building	1,500,000

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*Steamtown National Historic site (Scranton, Pennsylvania)	Dept. of the Interior Appropriations, 1991, H.R. 5769, P.L. 101-512	Construction funds--for the rehabilitation of locomotive artifacts	(11,000,000) (funds held) (See 102d Congress table 2.)
Utah--Army Museum	Military Construction Appropriations, 1991, H.R. 5313, P.L. 101-519	Utah to agree to maintain and operate the Army Museum located on the land conveyed to the University of Utah	Agreement with no amount specified
<p>* Bills were introduced in the 102d Congress (see table 2, 102d Congress) to rescind 1991 appropriations for some of the museums. The appropriations for these museums in the 101st Congress (FY 1991) stood as they were despite attempts to rescind them except in the case of the Lawrence Welk Museum and Steamtown. (See table 2, 102d Congress.)</p>			

**TABLE 2. Specific Appropriations for Museums  
in the 102d Congress (FY 1992 and  
FY 1993 Appropriations)**

<b>Name of Institution/ Museum</b>	<b>Appropriations Law/Bill</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Airborne and Special Operations Museum Foundation	Dept. of Defense Appropriations, 1992 H.R. 2521, P.L.102-172  H.R.4749 was introduced to rescind this grant but <b>no action</b> was taken	Grant for project costs	\$4,000,000
Children's Museum	D.C. Appropriations, 1992, H.R. 3291, P.L. 102-111	Transfer from Public Library to Children's Museum	200,000
Consortia of Museums-National Institute for the Conservation of Cultural Property	Dept. of the Interior Appropriations, 1992, H.R. 2686, P.L. 102-154  H.R. 2643 was introduced to rescind the 1991 appropriation (\$600,000) for this grant but <b>no action</b> was taken	Preservation of artifacts	700,000
Cultural Center, North Miami Beach, Florida	H.R. 3217 was introduced to rescind this grant from the VA, HUD Appropriations, 1991, P.L. 101-507 but <b>no action</b> was taken.	Proposed rescission of grant for a cultural center	995,000
Institute of Museum Services	Dept. of the Interior Appropriations, 1992, H.R. 2686, P.L. 102-154	Grants and administration	27,344,000

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<b>Name of Institution/ Museum</b>	<b>Appropriations Law/Bill</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Japanese-American Museum (Los Angeles)	H.R. 2643 was introduced to rescind item from Dept. of Treasury Appropriations, 1991 P.L. 101-509 (H. Rept. 101-906) <b>no action</b> taken	Effort to rescind 1991 grant to Japanese-American National Museum	\$39,000
Lawrence Welk Museum	The Dire Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1991 (H.R. 1281) P.L. 102-27 prohibits the use of Federal funds from being used to restore the birthplace of Lawrence Welk.	Prohibits use of Federal funds to restore the birthplace of Lawrence Welk	\$500,000 (amount rescinded)
National D-Day Museum Foundation	Dept. of Defense Appropriations, 1992 H.R. 2521, P.L. 102-172  H.R. 4990 (Rescinding further budget authority) (P.L. 102-298) proposed to rescind this appropriation for the museum, but was <b>not rescinded</b> in the final law (Conference report-- (H. Rept. 102-530))	Grant for project costs	\$4,000,000



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National Museum of the American Indian	Dept. of the Interior Appropriations, 1992, H.R. 2686, P.L. 102-154	"Construction and reinstallation, exhibition of the National Museum of the American Indian, repatriation of skeletal remains program . . ." (P.L. 102-154)	25,839,000
National Museum of Natural History	Dept. of the Interior Appropriations, 1992, H.R. 2686, P.L. 102-154 with an amendment that reads" none of the funds may be made available before the date of enactment of an Act authorizing the use of funds. . . ." (Note: H.R. 2757 to authorize NMNH construction was reported from the House Committee on Public Works and Transportation March 17, 1992 (H. Rept. 102-456). A comparable bill, S. 1598, passed the Senate on July 1, 1992 with no further action recorded.)	Construction of East Court Building	19,400,000

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FY 1993 Appropriations)--Continued**

<b>Name of Institution/ Museum</b>	<b>Appropriations Law/Bill</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Naval Undersea Museum Foundation (Keyport, Washington)	Dept. of Defense Appropriations, 1992, H.R. 2521, P.L. 102-172  H.R. 4990 (P.L. 102-298) proposed rescinding the 1992 appropriation for the Naval Undersea Museum but it was <b>not rescinded</b> . (Conference report--(H. Rept. 102-530)).	Solely for project costs in completion of Naval Undersea	\$2,100,000
Steamtown National Historic site (Steamtown, Pennsylvania)	Dept. of the Interior Appropriations, 1993, H. R. 5503 (as passed by House and reported by the Senate)	Planning and line item construction --for the rehabilitation of locomotive artifacts at Steamtown, Pennsylvania	14,000,000 (House figure) and \$0 in the Senate Report 102-345)

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Steamtown National Historic site (Scranton, Pennsylvania)	Dept. of the Interior Appropriations, 1992 H.R. 2686, P.L. 102-154 provides "that <b>until March 1, 1992</b> , none of the funds appropriated . . . may be expended for the Steamtown National Historic Site unless specifically authorized." (Note: H.R. 3519, a Steamtown authorization bill passed the House on February 25, 1992 with no further action recorded.)	Holding of appropriated funds until specifically authorized or until March 1, 1992 whichever comes first.	No amount
U.S.S Blueback Museum	H.R. 4990 (P.L. 102-298 proposed rescinding certain budget authority (\$1,600,000) including the U.S.S. Blueback Museum. However, it was <b>not</b> finally rescinded (conference report- (H. Rept. 102-530).	Grant for project costs	\$1,600,000