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April 4, 1973

Senator Claiborne Pell Committee on Labor and Public Welfare 4320 New Senate Office Building Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Pell:

RE: S796

The Board of Directors of the Cole County Historical Society went on record at its meeting Monday, March 27, endorsing bill S796, The Museum Services Act.

Our society owns and operates a historic house museum in the capital city of Missouri. The population of Jefferson City is about 40,000. Operating funds for the museum come from admissions, memberships, and money raising projects; we receive no tax money.

Consequently, we have the usual financial problems of keeping just ahead of the operating expenses of the museum. To lift our nose from the grindstone of ordinary expenses to visions of expansion is a luxury we can rarely enjoy.

A few years ago we lost the opportunity of purchasing the connecting building for expansion because we had no money on hand for even a down payment.

Your bill would help many a small museum in a small community where financial resources are not readily available.

In order for the small museum to do an adequate interpretation of history, some assistance such as this bill offers would be a Godsend to those of us who struggle in the small museum.

Yours truly,

Elizabeth Rozier (Mrs. George A.)