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Commissioner Henry Geldzahler
Department of Cultural Affairs
830 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10021

Dear Commissioner:

I very much appreciate receiving the Mayor's kind invitation to participate in the upcoming National Urban Conference on the Arts. I am delighted to hear that such a comprehensive symposium will be held to discuss urban issues and the arts. It is indeed a most timely topic.

Unfortunately, the conference is scheduled at a time when I expect to be out of the country. There is a brief post-election period when more distant trips are possible.

I regret very much that I will not be able to attend your sessions but hope that I might receive any printed summary of the proceedings that is issued at the conclusion of the conference. Such a document will be of great use as we begin planning for the reauthorization of the Arts and Humanities Act in 1989.

With warmest regards.

Ever sincerely,

Claiborne Pell
Chairman
Subcommittee on Education, Arts, and Humanities

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