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Honorable Claiborne Pell  
U.S. Senate  
The Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20510  

Dear Senator Pell:

For almost nine months, we have been watching the hearings about the proposed appointment of Edward Curran as Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities. We were pleased to learn on November 19 that the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee did not advance his nomination. On behalf of the American Sociological Association, a membership organization of 13,000 teachers, researchers and practitioners, I want to express our appreciation for your conscientious scrutiny of Curran’s nomination. Your vote against the nomination indicates a recognition of the importance of high quality educational leadership in our country and the importance of the humanities of our nation.

We appreciate your vote against the confirmation and your efforts to find a qualified leader for the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Sincerely,

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William V. D’Antonio  
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