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November 21, 1985

Honorable Claiborne Pell
SR-335 Russell Building
U.S. Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Pell:

I am writing on behalf of the Consortium of Social Science Associations (COSSA) to express our gratitude for your leadership opposing the nomination of Edward Curran to be Chairman of the National Endowment of the Humanities.

COSSA joined with many other groups in raising concerns and questions about the fitness of Mr. Curran for the position. Thus, we were gratified by the vote of the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee on Tuesday rejecting Mr. Curran.

We hope the administration gets the message and will now proceed to nominate a candidate who possesses the qualifications, scholarly reputation, and management experience to head NEH.

Thank you again for your leadership on this issue. I look forward to working with you on other issues in the future.

Sincerely,

Howard J. Silver
Associate Director for Government Relations