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August 6, 1980

Mr. Robert B. Hewett
Corporation Secretary
Board of Governors
East-West Center
1777 East-West Road
Honolulu, Hawaii 96848

Dear Mr. Hewett:

I understand that my fellow Rhode Islander John Hoare Kerr has recently applied for the Presidency of the East-West Center in Honolulu.

I have known John's outstanding work as an innovative administrator for many years. During his tenure as Director of the Education Program at the National Endowment for the Arts he was able to accomplish a great deal on a limited budget. His work there was highly regarded by all who came into contact with him.

I believe that John's experience as an administrative planner, senior cultural diplomat, museum director and social welfare (UNICEF) executive make him an ideal candidate for the position of President of the East-West Center. I hope your selection committee will share my enthusiasm for him.

With warm regards,

Ever sincerely,

Claiborne Pell