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March 13, 1980

Honorable Joseph Duffey  
Chairman  
National Endowment for the Humanities  
Washington, DC 20506

Dear Mr. Chairman:

It has come to my attention that the Newport Historical Society in Newport, Rhode Island, has recently applied to the National Endowment for the Humanities for a planning grant. The request for \$17,574 has been submitted to the Museums and Historical Organizations Program.

An Endowment grant of this type will enable the Historical Society to research and design an exhibit of their own collections which would relate them in a more meaningful way to the history of Newport. In addition to its superb collections of furniture, glass, and silver, the Society administers two of Newport's finest historic structures: the Wanton-Lyman-Hazard House and the Friends Meeting House.

I wish to express my sincere interest in this planning grant proposal from one of Newport's most vital cultural institutions. It is my hope that, after careful consideration, the Humanities Endowment will act favorably on this grant request.

Warm regards.

Ever sincerely,

Cláberne Pell  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Education,  
Arts, and Humanities

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