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The Honorable Claiborne Pell
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Pell:

Thank you for your February 28 letter supporting the Assumption College Challenge Grant proposal.

As you may know, final action on this year's round of Challenge Grant applications will be made following the August meeting of the National Council on the Humanities, our chief advisory body. The Council will make its final recommendations after reviewing the evaluation comments of peer panelists and other outside experts who will have reviewed the proposals during the preceding months.

As soon as possible after the meeting of the Council we shall be sending you a listing of all awards made in Rhode Island, to facilitate any follow-up communication you might desire with your constituents.

Your interest in the work of the Endowment is appreciated. If I may be of further assistance, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Joseph D. Duffey
Chairman

cc: Challenge Grants Program