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March 13, 1984

Ms. Jenny Bittinger  
1603 Carlisle Pike  
Hanover, Pennsylvania 17331

Dear Ms. Bittinger:

Thank you for your recent letter and for your supportive comments on behalf of the Federal arts and humanities budgets.

As you may know, the Administration through its Office of Management and Budget has requested \$143.8 million for the Arts Endowment and \$125 million for the Humanities Endowment for fiscal year 1985. Though these figures are approximately 10% below the 1984 figures, they are fortunately a far cry from the cuts that were proposed earlier in this Administration.

I have consistently supported reasonable annual growth for these vital programs and expect to do so again this year. Knowing of your interest and support is encouraging.

With warm regards,

Ever sincerely,

Claiborne Pell

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