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July 30, 1979

Mr. John Morrow
Federal Grants Officer
College of the Virgin Islands
St. Thomas, Virgin Islands 00800

Dear Mr. Morrow:

Thank you for your recent inquiry about the FY 1980 authorization and appropriations levels for the National Endowments for the Arts and Humanities.

The Administration requests of \$154,400,000 for the Arts Endowment and \$150,600,000 for the Humanities Endowment have just recently been approved by the House Appropriations Committee and now await floor action. These figures represent 3 percent increases over the 1979 funding levels.

The Senate Subcommittee on Education, Arts, and Humanities, which I chair, has just completed reauthorization hearings and will be "marking-up" the extension legislation in the Fall.

Warm regards.

Ever sincerely,

Claiborne Pell
Chairman
Subcommittee on Education,
Arts, and Humanities

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