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December 3, 1981

Honorable Francis S.N. Hodsoll  
Chairman  
National Endowment for the Arts  
2401 B Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20506

Dear Mr. Chairman:

It has come to my attention that the East Bay Association for the Arts in Rhode Island has recently submitted an application to the Expansion Arts program at the National Endowment for the Arts.

The East Bay Association brings a wide spectrum of musical presentations from jazz and wind ensemble to musical theater to a loyal and expanding audience in Rhode Island. What particularly impresses me about this community arts organization is the high standard of artistic excellence that seems to be a consistent trademark of its presentations. After six tremendously successful seasons, the Association is ready to expand further. The community has been generous but support from the Endowment is crucial to trigger an increased level of giving.

I am strongly supportive of this grant request and hope that, after careful consideration, the Endowment will act favorably on this grant request.

Yours regards,

Ever sincerely,

Claiborne Pell