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March 2, 1979

Honorable Livingston L. Biddle
Chairman
National Endowment for the Arts
Washington, DC 20506

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I am writing to express my sincere interest in a grant application recently submitted to the Architecture, Planning, and Design Program by Donna J. Goodman of New York City.

Ms. Goodman has applied for a Design Project Fellowship which will allow her to explore and develop a proposal to establish a major cultural facility on the shores of Narragansett Bay in the State of Rhode Island. This facility on waterfront property near Newport, Rhode Island would focus on marine and technological exhibitions. It would as well be an important resource center for environmental planning and energy alternatives for the entire Bay community.

I regard Ms. Goodman's participation as absolutely crucial to the overall endeavor. She is a tremendously capable and highly imaginative person in whose abilities I have the utmost confidence.

I am pleased to add my strong personal support to Ms. Goodman's Project Fellowship application and hope that the Endowment, after careful consideration, will act favorably on it.

With warm regards,

Ever sincerely,

Claiborne Pell

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