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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the United States Senate
FR: John Hammer

RE: More on FY-95 Appropriations for the Endowments [H.R. 4602]

Two weeks ago, I wrote on behalf of the members of the National Humanities Alliance (see attached list) to urge FY-1995 support at the levels proposed by the President for the National Endowment for the Humanities and its sister agencies the National Endowment for the Arts and the Institute of Museum Services. Proposed budgets for all three agencies are included in the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriation bill (H.R. 4602) that is expected to reach the Senate floor in coming days.

The Committee on Appropriations has recommended a 5% cut in next year's appropriation for the arts endowment. Enacting such a cut would send just the wrong message in our view. Jane Alexander has brought much needed leadership as well as energy and a focused intelligence to the agency -- In the nine months that she has been at the NEA helm, she has done much to revive public appreciation of the accomplishments of the agency as well as the staff and council morale of the often beleaguered agency. I hope that you and your colleagues in the Senate will give her the full support that she needs to continue leading her agency toward a position that will be appreciated by a large majority of the public as well as you and your colleagues in Congress.

If you or your staff would like further information on this issue, please contact me at 202/296-4994.
The National Humanities Alliance

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