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Dr. Kerry Paul Reese 2168 Henry Court Moscow, ID 83843-9533

Dear Dr. Reese:

Thank you for contacting me regarding the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) and the Idaho Humanities Council (IHC). I appreciate hearing your views about the important role that these organizations play in educating Idahoans of all ages.

Through grants, the IHC and NEH make tremendous strides towards enriching the lives of Idahoans by providing positive educational and historical programming throughout the entire state. Idaho's rich culture must be preserved, and through the assistance and continued leadership of the IHC, many individuals will benefit.

The work of your organization serves as an important educational tool to the numerous interested and concerned citizens that learn from this type of presentation. As Congress begins to review the federal budget for fiscal year 2001, your thoughtful comments will be helpful in my review of NEH funding.

Once again, thank you for contacting me about the important efforts to bring positive educational opportunities to Idahoans. I will continue to work to ensure appropriate funding for the arts.

Sincerely,

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