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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS



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March 16, 1990

The Honorable Claiborne deB. Pell 325 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Pell:

The Rhode Island State Council on the Arts (RISCA) wishes to inform you that the Council has made application to the NEA Challenge III Grant Program. The proposal request is for \$50,000 to be matched 3-1 over the next few years with new or increased public dollars, for the establishment of a permanent endowment on behalf of individual artists.

The proposed Artist Endowment Fund will become the first and only endowment for Rhode Island to secure a support system for individual artists. RISCA is of the opinion that the establishment of a permanent endowment in cooperation with the Rhode Island Foundation will build a long-term support system for individual artists.

The Council is excited about the potential of this project and would appreciate securing your support on behalf of this effort.

Thanking you in advance for your time on behalf of this request, I remain

Most sincerely,

Johan

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