

DATE

NAME

ADDRESS

ADDRESS

Representative/Senator NAME,

As part of the CARES Act, funds were allocated to assist non-profits suffering the economic impact of the COVID-19 virus. Specifically, Congress appropriated funds to the National Endowment for the Humanities that were designated to state humanities councils to aid cultural/heritage organizations. I am writing to inform you that NAME OF ORGANIZATION has received an Immediate Emergency grant of AMOUNT from Ohio Humanities. These funds will help NAME OF ORGANIZATION with short-term core operating costs and will help keep our organization operating while we wait to reopen our doors to the public.

Cultural/heritage organizations, like small for-profit businesses, are vital to the economic health of our community. We employ staff, purchase good and services from other local businesses, and help drive tourism to our area. Shutting our doors during the shelter-place-order was necessary, but has had significant short-term economic effects. We know that there will be long-term economic impact as well.

We are grateful that Congress provided funds to Ohio Humanities through the National Endowment for the Humanities to help in this emergency. Please, as you consider other relief efforts aimed at both the short and long-term, do not overlook cultural/heritage non-profits. We are unique institutions and the value we bring to our communities cannot be easily replaced if we cease to exist.

Sincerely,

NAME

TITLE

ORGANIZATION