

June 11, 2009

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Dear Kathleen:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your efforts with the PAHR legislative initiative. Your energy has made all the difference in this pursuit of a very worthwhile cause.

The Generations Network, the parent company of Ancestry.com, is very excited to support the PAHR initiative. As a company, we have digitized hundreds of millions of images of historical documents and know how important it is to our nation to preserve our historical record.

We also know the significance these documents are to the over 8 million unique monthly visitors to Ancestry.com. In repeated surveys, our customers have communicated that the most important issue as our customer is the continued digitization of more records. This is especially true of the documents held by state archives.

Please feel free to express The Generations Network's support for the PAHR initiative as you interact with our nation's leaders. We hope they take this effort seriously and of the greatest importance to our nation's heritage.

Sincerely,



Gary Gibb  
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