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The Honorable Janice McGeachin
United States House of Representatives
6121 N. 5th W.
Idaho Falls, ID 83401

Janice,

On behalf of the Museum of Idaho, I would like to thank you for your willingness to co-sponsor HB 475 and your hard work towards its passage. You have been such a fantastic supporter of this endeavor from the beginning, and your tireless dedication and leadership were critical toward ensuring its passage. Idaho's citizens, particularly its school children, will be the beneficiaries of what you have accomplished. On behalf of the Museum of Idaho, its staff, board of trustees, volunteers, and patrons, THANK YOU! As a result of your efforts, the Museum of Idaho took an important step forward in securing its future sustainability. I would also like to thank you as a representative of the Idaho Association of Museums for the positive impact your hard work will have on museums, large and small, across the state.

On a more personal note, for me the whole process was truly an enjoyable and educational experience. To see how the system works and to participate, in a small degree, was very interesting for me. After seeing how hard our elected officials work, and realizing the large number and complexity of issues that need to be dealt with in such a short amount of time, I have a greater respect for you and your colleagues in the State Legislature. As a result, I would also like to thank you for a brief but intense educational experience in state government. I hope that I am a better citizen as a result.

Good luck with the remaining days of the legislative session. I look forward to working with you in the future and your continued support for our cultural community.

Sincerely,

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