

December 2, 1981

Mr. John Silva North Star Fund

Dear John Silva:

I am writing to you to supplement the emergency grant application of East Coast Japanese Americans for Redress (ECJAR). Concerned Japanese Americans (CJA) is the organization which initiated the campaign to bring the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians (CWRIC) to New York. CJA began its campaign in April, 1980 when it became clear that New York was not a designated site for a hearing. When verbal commitment from Commission staff and at least one Commissioner was secured to come to New York in late August, CJA initiated formation of a community-wide coalition, ECJAR, to plan the hearing.

The hearings have been educational in nature, bringing to light for the first time in 40 years, the tremendous impact of the camps on Japanese Americans. CJA, as a member of ECJAR, is requesting funds to support the work of the coalition. Please refer to ECJAR budget already submitted.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Concerned Japanese Americans