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Letter to Governor Shapiro

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November 29, 1973

The Honorable Samuel Shapiro
1300 Cobb Boulevard
Kankakee, Illinois 60901

My dear Governor Shapiro:

As you undoubtedly know, Governors State University is in its third year of operation in the factory which houses our mini-campus just north of Monee, Illinois. Very soon, we will be moving into our Phase I facility on campus and hope to have all our staff in that building by the end of February and all the systems of the building totally operational by late spring. Consequently, we will be planning for a series of dedication ceremonies in what we will probably call a "Dedication Week" sometime in late April or early May. We will be in touch with you about this at a later time.

In the meantime, we are immediately planning to install in what we call the "Hall of Governors" - our major entry way - plaques depicting the thirty-five governors of the State of Illinois. We would like to request of you an 8 by 10 black and white glossy photograph as soon as possible which can then be used to create a bronze plaque. We intend to honor each of the governors of the State by placing their plaque, their name and the dates of their respective terms of office in the "Hall of Governors."

Thank you for your assistance in this matter, and we look forward to hearing from you at your earliest opportunity. In the meantime, please accept the wishes of Governors State University and its faculty, staff and students for a very happy holiday season and a fine new year.

Cordially yours,

William E. Engbretson
President

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cc: Dr. Benjamin L. Morton
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Board of Governors of State
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