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Senator Sheldon Whitehouse United States Senate Washington, DC 20510-3905

Dear Senator Whitehouse:

This letter is in response to your inquiry regarding Coleman P. Burke Center for Environmental Law at the Case Western Reserve University School of Law.

As of March 18, 2021, the Center has received two donations, both from the Coleman and Susan Burke Foundation totaling \$5,000,000. There is also a pledge on the record of Mr. Coleman Burke (deceased) in the amount of \$5,000,000. No other donations have been made to the Coleman P. Burke Center for Environmental Law to date. The Center is also supported by general University resources.

Given your interest in environmental protection, I thought you might also like to know a little about Coleman P. Burke. He was a 1970 graduate of our law school and passed away this past November. Mr. Burke spent 40 years engaged in environmental issues as a director of the National Audubon Society, the National Forest Foundation, the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, the Yale Peabody Museum of Natural History, the New York Botanical Garden and the Wildlife Conservation Society. He was also a member of the Leadership Council of the Yale School of Forestry & Environmental Studies. It is a distinct honor and privilege to direct an environmental law center bearing his name.

As I previously noted, my testimony and response to questions represent my personal views, and not the institutional views of Case Western Reserve University, its law school, or the Coleman P. Burke Center for Environmental Law.

Sincerely,

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cc: Sen. John Kennedy