

To Whom It May Concern:

I personally want to throw my full-fledged support behind Act HB 6119 that will help support Arts, Culture, Tourism and the Humanities, we all know that this is crucial to our way of life in CT and brings in much needed revenue into the state.

As the Executive Director of the Connecticut Women's Hall of Fame I can't express how important the funds we receive from the CT Humanities are to us. They help us highlight the lives of women who would be lost in the dust of time. These stories are so important and the CTHumanities help us bring them to life.

To have a fund that would help support them, so they can support the humanities around the state would be a boon for all of us. At the Hall we feel that it's important to educate and promote the humanities to CT citizens. When we know our past, we will better understand the here and now, and can plan more clearly for the future.

I realize this will hike the hotel tax up to better support the fund, but I think it's well worth it. Arts, Culture, Tourism, and Humanities bring in people who not only participate in these activities, but they also go out to dinner, buy products and bring their family and friends. This is a benefit to all the citizens of Connecticut.

Thank you,

Sarah Smith Lubarsky

Executive Director

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