ATON FOREST ECOSYSTEM RESEARCH STATION, Norfolk, Conn., November 11, 1967.

Hon. John V. Tunney, M.C. House Office Building, Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. TUNNEY: Thank you for your letter of November 7th, with a copy of your Bill, and your statement in the Congressional Record on p. H 12604 et seq.

I whole-heartedly and unqualifiedly endorse your Proposal, and your approach as exemplified in your statement on the Floor of the

House.

You will find strong support for this Council, I believe, in Dr. Dillon Ripley, Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, and Dr. Helmut K. Buechner, Head, Office of Ecology of the Smithsonian. Several of their speeches in the last few years point out the need for a new and greatly enlarged view toward "ecology", which itself had had too many specialist devotees.

I shall follow the progress of your Bill with great interest.

Sincerely,

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