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Governor Atiyeh

The Honorable Vic Atiyeh  
519 SW Park Avenue, Suite 208  
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Dear Governor Atiyeh:

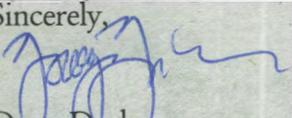
A note of thanks for the interest, support and advice you have offered as we have prepared the development and operation of the Tillamook Forest Heritage Trust and the campaign of fundraising for the Tillamook Forest Interpretive Center.

As you can see from the impressive roster of trustees and project supporters on this page, you join a wide variety of individuals who believe that understanding the legacy of the Tillamook Burn and forest is fundamental to understanding something very important about Oregon. This forest is a living example of possibilities realized and promises yet to come, of how we have worked together to overcome the worst of odds. The center and program we are striving to create will become a place for us to share this story—these many stories—with hundreds of thousands of visitors. We begin this ambitious work with the same determination and vision an earlier generation of Oregonians has already invested in rebuilding this forest.

The year ahead promises challenge and opportunity as we submit grant applications to foundations and make contacts with the corporate community and private citizens. Your expression of confidence in this work, through your very presence on this letterhead and through the support you voice to others, surely helps transform challenge *into* opportunity.

Honorary Chair L.L. "Stub" Stewart started the center campaign rolling this fall with a significant inaugural gift. Now, it's up to each of us to grow interest and support for this work as widely as we can amongst potential donors and funders, and the public. I invite you to contact me with your ideas and referrals, and would be pleased to meet with any individuals or groups you think might be interested in hearing about and supporting our work. Let me support you as we work together to build support for this project.

On behalf of the Trustees, thank you for serving as an advisor and supporter of this important work. And thanks for keeping the Tillamook project in mind.

Sincerely,  
  
Doug Decker  
Executive Director

P.S. Next time you are out on the internet, take a look at our website: [www.tillamookforest.org](http://www.tillamookforest.org)