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Mr. David Pugh
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Dear Dave:

This letter concerns the possibility of a fountain being located in the square between the City Hall and the new Federal Building. As I explained over the telephone, a Mr. Sloan left by his will about \$50,000 for a fountain to symbolize the rose.

A group has been meeting with Howard Traver, Mayor Schrunk's assistant, to talk about possible locations for this fountain and the possibility of contributions from Federal Aid and other sources to increase the \$50,000 in the will. The new square between the Federal Building and the City Hall is not the only location that this group is considering; however, it does seem that it has preference. The group feels that the fountain should be the focus of Rose Festival events and the group desires that the fountain be in an open area large enough for gatherings and ceremonies.

The group is concerned about who would own the fountain if located on Federal property and who would maintain it. They are also concerned about control of design, would the GSA permit such a fountain on Federal property, who would assume legal responsibility for any claims brought once the fountain is in operation. I hope this will give you a starter in raising these issues and possibilities with GSA.

When your conversations reach the point that this group, who is trying to meet the conditions of the will, is needed for consultation, let me know and I will try to make the necessary arrangements. These are just private citizens and Mr. Traver and myself are trying to provide staff assistance for them.

Sincerely yours,

Lloyd T. Keefe
Lloyd T. Keefe
Planning Director

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