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Mr. John Karel, Director
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Dear John,

This is in response to your recent letter about the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail. Unfortunately I will not be able to attend your meetings this month on the subject, but I want you to know that the Foundation is supportive of your effort to establish this trail in Missouri.

As you must know, one route of the Cherokee's march through Missouri brought them by Maramec Spring. I am familiar with details of the Indians' stay at the site which we now operate as a park.

The Foundation will be glad to cooperate with the State as possible in commemorating the Trail of Tears at Maramec Spring. I look forward to learning more about your progress on this project.

Sincerely,

Ford Hughes
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