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February 12, 1990

Mr. John E. Flynn  
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Dear Mr. Flynn:

Thank you for your letter regarding an amendment to the Taft-Hartley Labor Management Relations Act which would allow for housing trust funds to be included in collective bargaining agreements. It was good to hear from you.

I have supported and monitored the progress of the housing trust fund initiative since February, 1989, when the Boston Hotel Workers Union, Local 26, was successful in negotiating this innovative and unprecedented benefit. I firmly believe that this housing trust fund could ultimately prove to be an integral part of a national strategy to confront the serious lack of affordable housing in the United States.

In Congress, I have begun to work for an amendment to Section 302(c) of the Taft-Hartley Act before the May 31, 1990 deadline. Last Monday, I met with Domenic Bozzotto and several representatives of Local 26 in my Boston office to discuss this issue. At that time I repeated my endorsement of the fair housing compromise and discussed strategies to effect the swift passage of S.1949 in the House.

I have contacted the Education and Labor subcommittee on Labor-Management Relations several times this year to inquire about the status of an amendment to Section 302(c). Apparently there is strong support for this amendment and I am optimistic about its current progress. I will continue to work with the Massachusetts congressional delegation and other Members of Congress to ensure its passage before May 31.

Thank you again for getting in touch. Please do not hesitate to contact me again, if I can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

  
Edward J. Markey  
Member of Congress

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Comm. from Edward J. Markey, Congressman,  
re: a communication sent to him by the  
City Council regarding an amendment to  
the Taft Hartley Labor Management Rela-  
tions Act.

In City Council,

February 26, 1990

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