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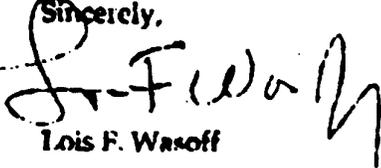
Dear Mr. Bender and Ms. Livingston:

Houghton Mifflin is pleased to add its name to the list of other organizations that formally approve the fair use guidelines for educational multimedia. We appreciate your leadership over the last eighteen months to develop those guidelines, bringing together educators and copyright owners for that purpose. As you know, Houghton Mifflin has participated from the beginning as a member of the Association of American Publishers, and more recently as a direct participant in the final stages of negotiation and drafting.

We are impressed that a task force with such diverse membership achieved consensus on workable guidelines. Fair use depends so much on the facts specific to each case that it is always difficult to set out general guidelines, and so these guidelines reflect a series of compromises. We believe, however, that the guidelines for educational multimedia will provide useful direction to educators and students who develop educational multimedia projects while respecting the rights of copyright proprietors.

We understand that you will seek Congressional approval of the educational multimedia guidelines without recommending any amendment to the law itself.

Sincerely,



Lois F. Wasoff

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