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To Members of the Society of Georgia Archivists:

It's a pleasure for me to congratulate the Society of Georgia Archivists on its 40th anniversary.

We at the National Archives and Records Administration feel that we know so many of your members, since we have a major presence in your state and they are frequent visitors. Georgia is the home of one of our thirteen Presidential libraries, the Jimmy Carter Library and Museum in Atlanta, and one of our Federal Records Centers in Ellenwood. It is also home to our five-year-old Southeast Regional Archives in Morrow, which is adjacent to the Georgia State Archives.

Georgia has played a major role in the history of our nation, which is reflected in our holdings in the state that document the history of the nation and of the Southeastern United States. Georgia was one of our thirteen original states, and it was the location for some of the major historical events of the Civil War and later of the Civil Rights Movement. And it produced the nation's 39th President!

At the National Archives, our mission is to collect, protect, and encourage the use of the records of our Federal government. We will always stand ready at our facilities to help your members in fulfilling their research needs and the needs of those who come to them for assistance in their research.

And I look forward to meeting some of your members during the annual meeting of the Society of American Archivists in Washington in August.

Again, my congratulations on your anniversary and best wishes for your continued successful contributions to the state of Georgia and its people.

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