



February 13, 2015

Dear Members of the CTSSAR Board of Managers:

Over the past several months, we have been busy at work planning our fundraising campaign to commemorate CTSSAR's milestone 125th anniversary. Our opportunity to contribute is vital, as funds raised will be added to the Manross Fund and will be used to endow an important part of our nation's and organization's heritage, namely Governor Trumbull's War Office and Nathan Hale's School Houses. I am happy and encouraged to report to you that, as of this writing, we have raised nearly \$250,000 toward our \$1,250,000 goal. This sum includes my own commitment as well as commitments of our entire Campaign Cabinet.

I am writing now to ask if you will consider supporting the campaign. Because you, as a member of the Board of Managers, represent a leader and primary stakeholder of CTSSAR, I am hoping that you and 100% of your fellow Board members will give favorable consideration to making your commitment now. Please be assured that all funds raised will be designated for the important and critically needed educational programs, as is discussed above and in further detail in the attached writing (Case for Support).

In thinking about the level your gift, please keep in mind that you may extend duration of your pledge for a period of up to five years. Also, should you wish to make your commitment fully or partially through your estate plans, this is an option as well. With this flexibility, I am hoping that you will join me in making your gift in the most generous amount.

Those whose commitments of \$25,000 and above will be recognized as members of the *Jonathan Trumbull Society*, and those whose commitments range from \$10,000-24,999 will be recognized as members of the *Nathan Hale Society*.

I have enclosed the pledge form, which you may complete and return to fellow Cabinet member and CTSSAR Treasurer Dan Benoit either via mail or email. I am hoping that you will make your commitment for the campaign prior to our April 18th Board of Managers meeting. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or our campaign counsel Bob Serow (203.215.8569, rLserow@optonline.net).

Thank you so much for your continuing dedication to our mission and, in advance of your support, to the fulfillment of our campaign.

Sincerely,

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Chair, Campaign Cabinet

Attachments: Case for Support, Pledge Form