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Letter to Jack Bissett regarding donation by SEAALL, November 16, 2006

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It was an unexpected pleasure to receive such a generous donation from you and the Southeastern Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries. The Florida Library Association forwarded your check to us to assist in the reopening of the Everglades City Branch Library.

Hurricane Wilma severely damaged the historic Everglades City Hall, which was the home for the branch. For the past year, the library has been operating out of part of a FEMA trailer in a space only big enough to hold the smallest of collections. Fortunately, FEMA has been able to give the City of Everglades the funding they needed to restore the building, and the renovations should be complete by the beginning of the New Year.

We are looking forward to returning to refurbished space in City Hall, and to returning library services to their previous levels. Your kind gift will allow us to purchase new books and videos for the children’s area, which is currently reduced to a small section of 12-14 shelves. The Everglades community is also looking forward to the reestablishment of their library, and joins us in thanking you for your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely yours,

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Cc: R. O’Donnell, FLA
Thank you

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