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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express KET's support for the production *The Pageant of America*, the proposed eight documentaries from Witnessing History Education Foundation which will provide a comprehensive look on the early years of American history. KET's goal has always been to educate the people of the Commonwealth and we feel we are accomplishing our mission by presenting programs like this.

From looking at the proposal, I feel this new series on American history will provide inspiration and education for a new generation of Americans and remind us all of the captivating stories that are part of our national DNA. A television project that covers our early colonial beginnings and on up through the Civil War will be quite useful, for those watching at home and also in the classroom.

Kent Masterson Brown continues to create important work that highlights key moments in our history. The ability to provide thought provoking programming that could serve as a springboard for discussion is something KET strives for across the board with our programming strategy and Kent continues to help us serve this mission well.

Given the proposed material and the scope of the project, I believe that *The Pageant of America* will be an excellent series for KET and for PBS stations nationwide. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can provide additional information or support.

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