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May 7, 1959

Honorable Robert W. Straub
Oregon State Senate
Salem, Oregon

Dear Bob:

Thank you for your letter about action at the State Legislature on the Resolution in support of the Oregon Dunes National Seashore Area. I regret that time and circumstances did not permit study of the proposal by the Highway Committee. I agree with you that the opposition has been quite vocal, but all the evidence indicates that this is only a small group in the Florence area. I am hopeful that we will be able to obtain Senate action on the bill sometime during this session.

I was disturbed by your evaluation of the record made by Democrats at the Legislature. I realize that this session provided our Party an opportunity to show some real leadership; but, perhaps, some of our expectations were too high. I know how hard you have worked for progressive legislation, and I am sure that your constituents recognize your solid performance as the Senator from Lane County.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,



Richard L. Neuberger
United States Senator

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Hatfield's Campaign promises of 1958 set the stage for the legislative record of 1959!