January 24, 1983

Houston Canoe Club c/o Catherine DiDonato P.O. Box 740041 Houston, TX 77274

Dear Houston Paddlers,

Thank you very much for your generous contribution to the American Rivers Conservation Council, and welcome to our continuing fight to save rivers.

Your gift arrived at a critical moment. At this time of year, just after the elections, the fate of many rivers and streams will be decided by Congress. Now your voice will be heard through ARCC's intensive lobbying effort. Our impact will be greater with you behind us!

This is also a period for planning, and we will be developing programs to assist local groups save their rivers and to encourage state and local river preservation systems.

We will keep you informed of what we are doing--and what you can do to help--through our quarterly newsletter, American Rivers, and periodic action alerts.

During the coming year, ARCC will celebrate its 10th birthday. With your help, we hope to make 1983 a landmark year for river preservation. We are especially interested in your involvement. So please inform us of any river issues which you feel merit our special attention.

Look for your copy of Flowing Free, a citizens guide to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System and other methods of protecting rivers. In the meantime, welcome, and thanks again!

Sincerely,

Membership Director

P.S. You will be receiving your first newsletter, including a listing of 1983 ARCC-sponsored western river trips, in January. But if you want to know what is happening between now and then, The source as ARC Dedicated to the Preservation of Free-Flowing Rivers

Also, we would appreciate receiving a copy of your newsletter.