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Dear Professor Ferrater-Mora:

I am writing to call your attention to the possibility of submitting a proposal to direct an institute for college and university faculty in the humanities. Institutes provide an opportunity for intensive study and collaborative work in a subject of major importance to the humanities and are led by one or, more often, several individuals who are noted for their scholarship and teaching. Since you have been recommended to the Endowment as an accomplished teacher and scholar, I particularly would like to encourage you to apply to direct an institute.

The institute format is extremely flexible. Normally, institutes are held in the summer for four to eight weeks but may be conducted for longer periods of time during the academic year. The number of participants varies but usually does not exceed thirty. The scope of the topics proposed also varies, but there is particular interest in institutes that would bring faculty members together to study the issues arising from those texts and ideas that are often at the heart of undergraduate courses in the humanities. The goal of all institutes is faculty development: to strengthen the participants' knowledge of the best scholarship in a field and thereby to enrich their teaching.

If you have any questions about the program or the process of designing an institute, please feel free to contact me or my colleague, Jack Meyers, at (202) 786-0384. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "BL Premo".

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