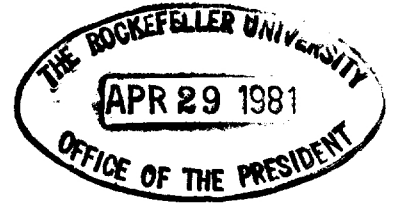




**Resources for the Future**

1755 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20036



April 20, 1981

Mr. Joshua Lederberg  
President  
Rockefeller University  
66th and York Avenue  
New York, New York 10021

Dear Mr. Lederberg:

Resources for the Future has been offered a special opportunity to honor Horace M. Albright, one of the truly great figures in the American conservation movement. We wanted to inform you of it and ask you to consider helping us take advantage of it.

Mr. Laurance S. Rockefeller, a former member of the RFF Board of Directors, is offering a matching grant of \$100,000 to establish a fellowship at RFF in honor of Horace Albright. As you probably are aware, Mr. Albright was a co-founder and Director of the National Park Service, superintendent of Yellowstone National Park, and director and enthusiastic member of many private organizations concerned with natural resources and parklands throughout the country. Just recently, at age 90, he was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the Nation's highest civilian honor.

We at RFF feel for Mr. Albright a very special affection, for he was instrumental in the founding of our organization in 1952, was our first president, and later served for many years as Chairman of our Board of Directors. We owe him an inestimable debt. Mr. Rockefeller's offer, therefore, is most gratifying. With the Horace Albright fellowship we plan to invite annually an outstanding scholar to work with those of our resident researchers who are addressing the challenging problems of the public lands -- their preservation, management, and use for multiple purposes. An Albright Fellow typically would prepare the results of his or her work in a form suitable for publication so that public understanding and public policy could benefit from the Fellowship.

We are turning to a few people who share our respect for Horace Albright and the great ideals he stands for, in the hope that they would want to join Mr. Rockefeller and us in establishing the Albright Fellowship. Would you be willing to be one of a group contributing \$1,000?

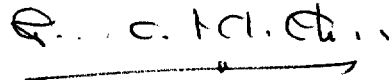
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It is our intent to celebrate the establishment of this fellowship with a festive occasion here in Washington in which we would give public recognition to Albright, the Fellowship and its supporters.

Resources for the Future, as you know, is a leading independent center for impartial research and analysis of public policy issues involving natural resources and the quality of the environment. We have more than a quarter-century record of contribution to public thinking on these subjects and have published a wide array of books and research papers, not least of which are those related to public lands. To give you a summary picture of RFF, I am enclosing our most recent Annual Report, inside the back cover of which, incidentally, is a tribute to Horace Albright.

I do appreciate your giving this request your sympathetic consideration. ✓

Sincerely,



George C. McGhee  
Member of the Board

Enclosure

Annual Report  
Members of the Board