The May 4 Task Force
Student Caucus
Student Center Room 248
Kent, OH 44242
November 22, 1975

Governor James Rhodes
2375 Tremont Road
Upper Arlington, OH 43221

The May 4 Task Force of Kent State University cordially invites you to attend and participate in a program discussing the shootings here May 4, 1970 and the events leading up to them. We feel that your presence would certainly make the evening more meaningful for everyone in attendance.

The program of films and discussions is aimed at informing the students and public about the events of May 4, the subsequent trials and the continuing search for justice.

Please respond as soon as possible to Steve Timinski, 809 Silver Meadows Blvd., Kent, OH 44242; phone 678-5391.

Cordially yours,

Steve Timinski
Maureen Staunton
Chairpersons, The May 4 Task Force

cc News Media
Mr. Steve Timinski  
809 Silver Meadows Boulevard  
Kent, Ohio 44242

Dear Mr. Timinski:

Thank you for your letter of November 22nd, extending an invitation to me to participate in a program held December 1st, discussing the shootings of May 4, 1970 on the Kent State University campus.

I am sorry that I was out of the state on that date and therefore could not have attended this program.

May I express my appreciation to you for your kind invitation.

Sincerely,

JAMES A. RHODES  
Governor
To: Steve Sindell
From: May 4 Task Force
Subj: Amicus Curiae

The May 4 Task Force, in working towards a fair and equitable judgment in the litigation surrounding the May 4, 1970 shootings on our campus, strives to do all that is within its power as a student group on campus to aid the case. Although our attention in the past has turned towards legal action, that has been an impossibility until now. However, with the May 3, 1976 filing of the civil suit appeal in the U.S. Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, our concern is again with legal action of some sort.

Recently it has been suggested to the May 4 Task Force that we take some part in the appeals decision by the filing of an Amicus Curiae in the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals. An initial polling of Task Force members found us in unanimous agreement that, if it were possible, we would like to file an Amicus Curiae in the Kent State case. Recently that vote was reaffirmed by each individual member to make sure of that position.

Knowing of your participation in the Kent State legal proceedings and of your knowledge of the civil suit, it is our request and hope, that you as a lawyer, would look into the possibility of our group filing an Amicus Curiae in this case; and if that is a possibility legally, and is within our organizations reach, we would also ask that you aid us in preparing and filing the brief for the Court of Appeals in Cincinnati, Ohio.

As soon as you have reached a decision on our request please call or write us. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Bob Hart, Chairperson
May 4 Task Force
To the Kent State Community;

Recently the Education Building on campus was named Robert I. White Hall to honor the contributions made by the former KSU president during his years of service here.

Although there was some disagreement among students as to whether the naming of the building was appropriate, we realize and respect the purpose and intent of the Board of Trustees and Administration in this action.

With this in mind the May 4 Task Force is confident that similar action can be taken in naming four KSU buildings after the four students slain here by national guardsmen in May of 1970.

We propose the following changes: the library be named the Jeffrey Glenn Miller Memorial Library; the Music and Speech building be named the Sandra L. Scheuer Music and Speech Center; the Business Administration Building be named the William K. Schroeder Building; and the Art Building be named the Allison B. Krause Art Building.

The May 4 Task Force realizes that this issue is not without controversy. We ask that this decision be a moral one and not one of politics. We also ask that the KSU academic community join us in support of these recommendations. May these newly named buildings serve as living memorials not only to Jeffrey, Sandy, Allison and Bill, but also to the ideals these students were working towards in making our society a better one, our university a better university.

Sincerely,
The May 4 Task Force

cc: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Krause
    Mr. and Mrs. Martin Scheuer
    Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schroeder
    Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Holstein
    President Olds
    Board of Trustees