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You asked the expiration of the 10 days limit on Senate Bill No. 707. It passed the night of June 3rd at 1:00 o'clock in the morning, this would make the limit that you could hold the bill for your signature, according to my figures, June 12th. I certainly hope you will sign it and let the work go on. I have worked very hard for the bill, thinking it would be a big thing for the State of Florida and a crowning accomplishment for your Administration. It certainly will be a big money maker for the State. Most of the lands are idle, unused and unproductive at the present time and a National Park in the State would cause a constant stream of visitors throughout the State.

Naturally I feel that the quicker we acquire this land and turn it over to the Government, the sooner our financial obligations cease and the National Park becomes an assured fact with the Government assuming full financial obligations for the development and maintenance; and with President Roosevelt's recommendation of a \$1,000,000 for development and \$100,000 for the study and care of wild life, pending in the present Congress, with Secretary Harold Ickes of the Department of Interior and Director Arno B. Cammerer of the National Park Service, both thoroughly sold on the idea, it would be unbelievable for Florida to turn such a thing as this down. Being convinced of its value to the State, therefore, I beg you to sign the appropriation bill for same and continue the work to a speedy completion.

I am sending telegrams tonight to Mr. Ickes and Mr. Cammerer, asking them to communicate with you direct and I feel sure that they will do so. Heretofore they naturally felt that they were treating with the State when they were treating with the State Commission appointed to acquire the land desired by the Government.

You will notice the Congressional Act authorizing the creation of the Park, which is among the batch of papers that I gave you, makes it a condition that all of the land must be turned over at one time - they will not proceed with their plans until it is done.

Do you not think it would have a better effect if you would have a letter sent from your office to the Commissioners, the Executive Chairman and the Executive Secretary, asking them to place their resignations in your hands to take effect July 1st. I am sending a letter, you understand, to each one of them, stating your position in the matter, but I am afraid that they, of course, would pay much more attention to a command from you than to my letter.

With all good wishes to you and assurances of my full co-operation at all times and with kindest regards to you and your Lady Love, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. W. S. Jennings, Official Representative of the Everglades National Park Commission in charge of Legislation.