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To whom it may concern

In my capacity as Chairperson of the World Heritage Committee I would like to acknowledge receipt of the numerous letters from citizens concerning Yellowstone inscribed on the World Heritage List in 1978.

On behalf of the World Heritage Committee, I wish to express my appreciation for the interest in the conservation of Yellowstone. It was placed on the List of World Heritage in Danger in 1995 following concerns that adjacent mining operations might compromise the value of the Park by threatening the watershed ecology of the Yellowstone River.

Please be assured that the forthcoming session of the World Heritage Committee will review the state of conservation of the property carefully.

I am grateful for your interest in protecting this unique World Heritage property for future generations

Chairperson of the World Heritage Committee

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Richard Smith", written in a cursive style.