

SENATOR EDMUND S. MUSKIE

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20510

May 5, 1972

Mr. Eliot Porter  
Route 4, Box 33  
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Dear Mr. Porter:

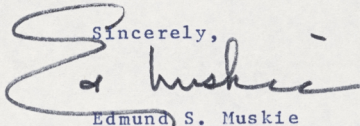
Thank you for your encouraging letter. I am enclosing a copy of the statement which I made on April 27 explaining my decision not to campaign in the remaining primaries.

Over the past months I have relied on and been proud of the support I received from people such as yourself. I want to assure you that I will continue to fight to achieve the goals set forth in my statement, as a United States Senator and as a candidate for President of the United States.

I especially appreciate your taking time to write at this time.

With warm best wishes,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "E. Muskie", with a large, sweeping initial "E" that loops around the first part of the name.

Edmund S. Muskie

Enclosure