



Participate in the First Annual
“Fright Fest” for the
American Historical Record
October 30, 2009

October is American Archives Month a time when archivists nationwide celebrate the value of archives and historical records. Yet as the month ends, the condition of records, the environments in which they're stored, the status of funding, and the support for archives programs in this country is all too often well, FRIGHTFUL!

We can help change that by uniting in a strong advocacy effort to urge Congress to support the “Preserving the American Historical Record” Act. On October 30, please join us in a national day of Advocacy by contacting your member of Congress and informing him or her of the frightening conditions in your repository, your region, or your state. Do one or more of the following:

- ❖ Fax a letter to your member of the House of Representatives urging him or her to sign on as a co-sponsor for HR 2256, the Preserving the American Historical Record Act.
- ❖ Call the regional office or Washington DC office of your Representative and urge him or her to sign on as a co-sponsor of the legislation
- ❖ Make an appointment and visit your Representative's regional office. Talk with the regional office director about the importance of your Representative signing on to HR 2256
- ❖ Ask five friends to contact their Representative on October 30. Offer to draft the letter for them.

Called or written before? Do it again! Your Representative needs a reminder of the importance of this bill.

Has your Representative already signed on? Fax him or her a note of thanks for being a sponsor.

