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FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK ADMINISTRATION
FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK SYSTEM
FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN
INSURANCE CORPORATION
HOME OWNERS' LOAN CORPORATION
UNITED STATES HOUSING CORPORATION

Honorable Marriner S. Eccles, Governor
Federal Reserve System
Federal Reserve Building
Washington 25, D. C.

My dear Mr. Eccles:

I feel sure you will be interested in reviewing the attached copy of the Annual Report of Federal Savings and Loan Associations for the year ended December 31, 1944. This report shows an interesting development of a relatively new type of financial institution.

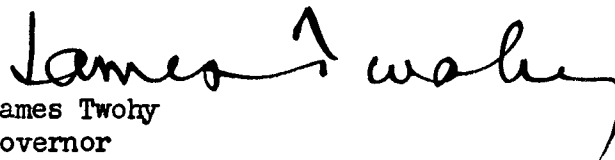
As you know, these institutions were authorized by the Congress in 1933, to be created either by the voluntary conversion of existing State-chartered savings and loan and similar associations, by local groups in communities where the need existed for such thrift and home-financing facilities, or to be newly created.

The 1,464 Federal associations of today constitute the nation's largest bloc of savings and home financing institutions operating under uniform charter and supervision. As required by law they are all members of the Federal Home Loan Bank System, insured through the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation and examined by the Federal Home Loan Bank Administration.

Total resources of Federal Savings and Loan Associations, which have grown steadily to the present level of \$3,167,000,000, indicates the degree of responsibility they have attained in the encouragement of long-term savings and in financing the construction and acquisition of small homes.

Operating side by side with State-chartered associations and other types of financial institutions in local communities, Federal associations now occupy a well-earned place in the country's improved home-financing structure.

Sincerely yours,


James Twohy
Governor

Attachment

July 24, 1945.

Dear Jim:

As the Chairman is on a trip to Utah, I am acknowledging your letter of July 16 enclosing the annual report, which has in it more facts and figures than any document that has come to my attention in years. I am greatly impressed.

I hope one of these days to have the pleasure of catching up with you so that I may settle some of these new questions that have come up since the last time -- now too long ago -- I had the benefit of your wisdom.

Faithfully,

The Honorable James Twohy,
Governor,
Federal Home Loan Bank System,
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