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FEDERAL RESERVE BANK
OF CLEVELAND

Ray M. Gidney, President

April 2, 1947

Board of Governors of the
Federal Reserve System
Washington 25, D.C.

Gentlemen:

Receipt is acknowledged of Chairman Eccles' letter of March 21 regarding the progress of the bill to repeal section 13B of the Federal Reserve Act and to amend section 13 of the Act. This matter has been discussed with our directors and a copy of the material has been sent to each of them, also to the directors and vice presidents at our branches. We shall take every opportunity to discuss this with interested parties where it seems advisable to do so. John McCoy, tells us that the Federal Advisory Council has indicated its approval of the pending bill and that its members have made their attitude known to members of Congress or senators.

In view of the Boards's comment as to the possibility that Congress might enact only the first section of the pending bill, we would like to renew the suggestion contained in our letter of December 27, 1946, that an amendment be sought that would provide for repayment to the Treasury Department of the funds received from it under the provisions of section 13B and the cancellation of further liabilities in this connection between the Treasury Department and the Federal Reserve Banks, without changing the other provisions of the present section 13B.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Ray M. Gidney

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President