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State

October 5, 1938

Dr. Elliott Robinson, Director
Antitoxin and Vaccine Laboratory
375 South Street
Jamaica Plain, Mass.

Dear Doctor Robinson:

Following are the reasons for requesting an increase in the item for emergencies and summer vacations in the budget for 1939:

First, the actual amount spent for this purpose was \$100 more than that indicated in the budget as spent during the current year. This amount was paid from unused Federal funds:

For sickness..... \$30.00
For summer vacations.. 70.00

Our Federal budget contains no item for vacations. Inasmuch as the majority of our employees are on the State budget, it seemed best to me to cover emergencies and summer vacations from State funds. Federal funds have been uncertain until after the beginning of the vacation period, and vacation relief employees cannot be planned for in advance, which is necessary, unless there is some certainty that they will be paid. This year a vacation employee worked for a period of six weeks without pay, which is equivalent to \$105.00 of the budget; securing voluntary personnel is undependable, however.

Following is a summary of expenditures for vacations and emergencies:

FEDERAL FUNDS

Sickness \$30.00

Vacations 70.00

STATE FUNDS

Vacations 294.52

Voluntary
assistant 100.00

\$ 499.52

Very truly yours,

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