November 29, 1989

Mr. Roger E. Soles
Executive Director
U.S. MAB Secretariat
OES/ENR/MAB
Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Soles:

The Board of Directors of the Barren River Area Development District (BRADD) fully supports the principles of the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organizations (UNESCO) Man and the Biosphere (MAB) program. One of our major purposes is to foster cooperation in planning and implementing sound policies for development in the ten county region which includes the proposed Mammoth Cave Area Biosphere Reserve. The Man and the Biosphere program and its emphasis on sustainable economic development is one which we support.

The BRADD endorsed the nomination and inclusion of the Mammoth Cave Area Biosphere Reserve into MAB program in October, 1988. We continue to support this nomination.

On November 27, 1989 the Board of Directors, by resolution, authorized our Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Council to coordinate MAB activities through an advisory committee. This committee will coordinate all MAB cooperative activities for the Biosphere program in the Mammoth Cave Area upon UNESCO designation. (A copy of the resolution is attached.)

We welcome the opportunity in this coordinative role to work with local, federal and state interests in a cooperative manner to further the interests of the MAB program, upon designation of the Mammoth Cave Area Biosphere Reserve.

Sincerely,

T. Jack Eversole
Executive Director

Enclosure