II. Preservation of Collection

The University agrees that it will maintain the Collection safely and in line with archival standards and best practices for special collections and, in particular, Congressional collections. The University will ensure that all curators or archivists who oversee or manage the Collection shall have proper understanding of current and evolving standards and best practices. This may be done through participation in groups such as the Congressional Papers Section of the Society of American Archivists.

The University shall employ a curator or archivist to manage and process the Collection for at least five years following the transfer of the Collection. The curator or archivist shall be chosen by mutual agreement between the Ted Stevens Foundation and the University. The parties understand and agree that the Ted Stevens Foundation will provide a donation on a periodic basis sufficient to support the University salary and benefits of a full-time curator or archivist for 5 years following delivery and acceptance of the Collection. In the event that the management and processing of the Collection requires less than a full-time position, the above donation shall be proportionately reduced.