

# THANK YOU.

When Creators Syndicate was founded in January 1987, many people predicted we wouldn't make it. After all, dozens of syndicates are started every year, yet only one other successful major independent syndicate was founded during the past half century.

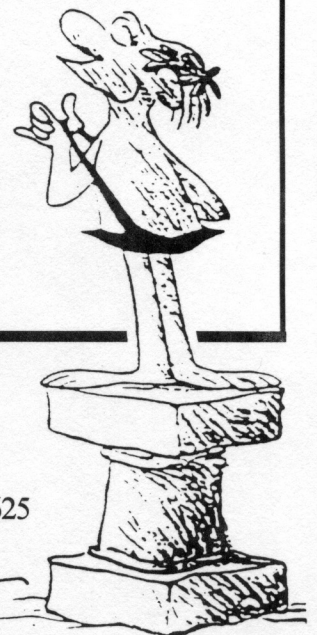
In a very short period of time Creators Syndicate has become one of the biggest and best in the world.

We succeeded because of the overwhelming support we have received from newspaper editors and from syndicated cartoonists and columnists. Cartoonists from every major syndicate have been supportive in every way imaginable.

We believe that in order for a business to stand, it should stand *for* something. From Day One we have stood for the freedom of creative talent combined with excellence in sales and service.

Obviously, we are not alone in our philosophy. We have attracted some of the best cartoonists in the world. Our standard contract contains the HART AMENDMENT, which is aimed at promoting freedom for cartoonists. It was named in honor of the first cartoonist to join us: Johnny Hart with his comic strip B.C.

We admire and respect our competing syndicates for a variety of reasons. At the same time, we are proud to have stood alone in challenging century-old contractual policies. And we are extremely gratified that we continue to receive tremendous support from the very best cartoonists in the world. You have made our success possible. A million thanks to every cartoonist in the world.



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