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SUPPORT FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF *TRUNCATULINA DUMBLEI* APPLIN

[The following letter was addressed to Dr. J. D. McLean, Jr., by Mrs. Esther R. Applin]:

I am completely in accord with your efforts relating to the suppression of the name *Planulina dumblei* (Applin) in favor of the *Planulina taylorensis* (Carsey).

As I have stated many times, when I described *P. dumblei* I recognized its close similarity to the fossil at that time commonly referred to as *Anomalina taylorensis*, a then undescribed, but already well known characterizing fossil of the Taylor (Campanian) Group of Texas. However, because of the perfection of its preservation, a marked difference in the character of the shell structure, and other details given in the data presented with your petition, I felt justified, at the time, in giving a new name to the varietal form I described.

I was pleased when Mrs. Carsey published her description of *Anomalina taylorensis*, thus, as I believed, authenticating the name already in common use for the Taylor (Cretaceous) species.

The whereabouts of the type of the variety I described, and of the materials from which it was selected, are now unknown.

I am most grateful for your assistance in this matter and trust that your petition will be favorably received.



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