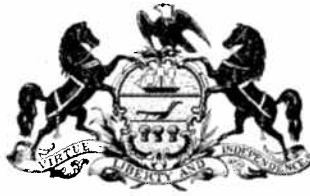


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November 29, 2007

The Honorable Edward G. Rendell
Office of the Governor
225 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Governor Rendell:

I write this day to request your support of the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts. Believing that the Arts are important cultural programs for learning and entertainment, those of us who support the Arts, request that your budget for art activities be increased by \$2 million dollars for this coming year.

The PA Council on the Art's is a major supporter of the Arts in Erie and Erie in turn responds by participating in the many activities associated with art. The impact on the economy in the Erie area is approximately \$15 million dollars, and being able to provide financial assistance to the many organizations and programs supports our economy. It is therefore, that I ask for the additional dollars.

Thank you for your consideration of a budget increase to support the arts in our community.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John R. Evans".

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