



Date January 13., 2014..

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE APPLICATION BY DES MOINES COMMUNITY PLAYHOUSE FOR A GRANT UNDER THE VISION IOWA, COMMUNITY ATTRACTION AND TOURISM PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Des Moines Community Playhouse is submitting an application to the Vision Iowa Board on January 15, 2014, seeking a grant under the Community Attraction and Tourism Program for the renovation and enhancement of its facility at 831 42nd Street in the City of Des Moines; and,

WHEREAS, for the last 60 years the Des Moines Community Playhouse facility has served as an anchor attraction in the heart of the City of Des Moines - providing entertainment, education and avocational activities for generations of central Iowans; and,

WHEREAS, the renovation and enhancement of the Des Moines Community Playhouse facility will allow it to expand on its long history of providing high quality arts, culture and cultural education to the citizens of Des Moines and central Iowa; and,

WHEREAS, the planned enhancements will create a space that best serves the citizens of Des Moines and central Iowa, while supporting life-changing experiences for the nearly 70,000 volunteers, students and audience members that visit the Playhouse every year.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, as follows:

- 1. The Des Moines City Council hereby expresses its support for the application by Des Moines Community Playhouse to the Vision Iowa Board seeking assistance for the renovation and enhancement of its facility at 831 42nd Street.
2. The Mayor is hereby directed and authorized to sign the accompanying letter of support for Des Moines Community Playhouse, and for its application to the Vision Iowa Board.

MOVED by _____ to adopt.

FORM APPROVED:

(Council Communication No. 14- 002)

Roger K. Brown

Roger K. Brown, Assistant City Attorney

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CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

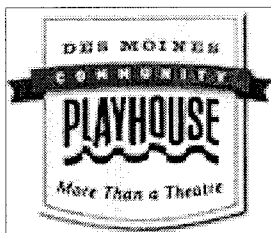
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

Mayor

City Clerk



December 13, 2013

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Dear Matt,

Broad support from the community, including the City of Des Moines, has allowed the Des Moines Community Playhouse to nearly complete Phase 1 of our current capital project which involved solving our most critical capital needs. As we embark on Phase 2 we are seeking financial support from Vision Iowa/Community Attraction and Tourism Program to help us achieve the desired results. As a requirement of the Vision Iowa/Community Attraction and Tourism Program (CAT) we must obtain official resolutions of support by the governing boards of local governments. The Des Moines Community Playhouse respectfully requests a resolution from the Des Moines City Council indicating their support of this important community project.

For nearly a century, the Playhouse has provided entertainment, education and avocational activities to generations of central Iowans. Over the last three years, the Des Moines Community Playhouse has produced 54 major plays and musicals in 673 performances seen by 169,654 people. The impact that the Playhouse has on the social and economic vibrancy of this community is significant.

Although there is much progress to be made, we look forward to reaching our goals with the end result being the best possible theatre for our community. Thank you very much for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Jessica Thornton
Capital Campaign Director
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