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June 29, 2018

**Egyptian Theatre  
Alex Nerad  
135 N. 2nd Street  
DeKalb, IL 60115**

Dear Alex,

On behalf of the Board of Directors and staff of the DeKalb County Community Foundation, we are pleased to publicly support your efforts to seek funding to install air-conditioning in the Theatre through this letter of support.

As a long-time funder of the Egyptian Theatre, we have consistently appreciated the value of the historic nature of the Theatre as a 'gem' of DeKalb and the County as well as a hub of cultural activity that enhances our quality of life. We appreciate the stewardship of the building and the growth in entertainment that it hosts that has been led by you, your Board of Directors, and leaders before you for decades.

It is exciting to consider the impact of year round programming that air conditioning would bring, as well as the subsequent economic and cultural impact to DeKalb and the community at large. Since our grant support has largely consisted of capital enhancements over the years, it is also encouraging to know that air conditioning will help prolong the life and value of assets that we have invested in through community philanthropy.

Thanks to you and your Board of Directors for making the enhancement and future sustainability of the Theatre a priority. We are hopeful for a positive outcome!

Sincerely,

**Daniel P. Templin  
Executive Director**