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Senator Bob Bacon, Chair
Capital Development Committee
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Denver, CO 80203

Dear Senator Bacon:

On July 23, 2010, the Capitol Building Advisory Committee (advisory committee) approved two proposals that it is forwarding to the Capital Development Committee (CDC) for consideration. The first proposal is from the Colorado Council on the Arts concerning the Creative Capitol rotating art exhibit in the basement rotunda. The second proposal, from Colorado Preservation, Inc. (CPI), concerns fund-raising for repairs to the State Capitol dome.

In December 2008, the advisory committee considered a proposal from the Colorado Council on the Arts to launch a Creative Capitol rotating art exhibit in the basement rotunda of the State Capitol building. The CDC considered and approved this proposal in January 2009. As approved, the original proposal was for a one-year trial and included a one-time waiver of the advisory committee's restriction on exhibits in the rotunda. The Colorado Council on the Arts was responsible for the installation of a hanging system in the basement rotunda, the installation of exhibits and signage, and the promotion of exhibits. The first exhibit in the basement rotunda was opened in June 2009, and there have been four exhibits since the program was first approved. The advisory committee proposes extending the Creative Capitol program indefinitely, including its waiver of the restriction on exhibits in the rotunda. A member or members of the advisory committee will continue to serve in an advisory capacity during the theme and artwork selection process for new exhibits. Also, as part of its approval, the advisory committee requested an annual report from the Colorado Council on the Arts about the Creative Capitol program. This proposal is being forwarded to the Capital Development Committee pursuant to Section 24-82-108, C.R.S.

The advisory committee also considered a fund-raising proposal from CPI for repairs to the State Capitol dome. House Bill 10-1402 authorizes CPI to raise funds for the repair of the State Capitol dome. The bill charges the advisory committee with reviewing, advising, and making recommendations to the CDC on the proposed fund-raising efforts and plans. At its meeting, the advisory committee considered a fund-raising proposal from CPI and a joint memorandum from the Legislative Council Staff and the Office of Legislative Legal Services, Attachments A and B, respectively.

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Based on committee discussion of the staff memorandum, CPI agreed to make the following revisions to its fund-raising proposal:

- Include a provision that it submit a report to the CDC and the advisory committee at the time moneys are transferred to the Capitol Dome Restoration Fund which outlines the revenue expenditure of all moneys raised during the fiscal year;
- Include the advisory committee in the distribution of quarterly reports regarding its fund-raising efforts and attend advisory committee meetings regularly to provide updates;
- Provide updates about the use of "Share in the Care Colorado" campaign logo in specific marketing and public relations efforts by sponsors;
- Work with the CDC and the advisory committee to establish an oversight committee for final review and approval of advertisements by sponsors; and
- Explain the exact parameters of what will be displayed on the scrim surrounding the scaffolding.

The advisory committee approved the fund-raising proposal with the inclusion of the recommended revisions. This proposal is being forwarded to the CDC pursuant to House Bill 10-1402. Once the fund-raising proposal is approved by the CDC, the Office of Legislative Legal Services will draft a contract outlining the various components of the proposal to be signed by the executive director of CPI and members of legislative leadership.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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Chair, Capitol Building Advisory Committee

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