

To the Honorable

Monroe County Legislature

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## Monroe County Legislature

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Legislator - District 29

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No. 210286

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Committee Assignment

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Subject:

Amendment to Resolution 169 of 2021 Entitled "Authorize the Allocation of Emergency Grant

Funding to Support Arts Organizations Negatively Impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic"

Honorable Legislators:

On May 11, 2021, this Honorable Body passed legislation to provide emergency funding to small Arts organizations that had previously received little or no funding from Monroe County. The County Executive vetoed this important funding on May 21, 2021, and his veto was subsequently overridden on May 25, 2021.

In order to prevent the County Executive from further delaying disbursement of this crucial funding, we are proposing an amendment to Resolution 169 of 2021 that the County Executive, after meeting with the leaders of some of the Arts organizations, has requested to help expedite this process.

The amendment authorizes the County Executive or his designee, instead of the President of the Legislature, or his designee, to execute grant agreements, contracts, or applications, and any amendments thereto, with the organizations listed below, for Monroe County to provide funding to arts organizations negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic that have not previously received County funding or received insufficient funding through the Mid-Sized Arts Grant budget allocation, in the total amount of \$131,000, for the period of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. It also removes the Irondequoit Arts Club as an authorized organization, changes the names of several organizations to reflect their legal designation, and adds language to ensure accountability.

It is our hope that this amendment will satisfy all parties involved, and allow for an expeditious disbursement of funding.

Respectfully submitted,

VINCENT R. FELDER Minority Leader – District 22 ERNEST FLAGLER-MITCHELL Legislator – District 29 FRANK KEOPHETLASY Legislator – District 28

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Intro. No.	-
RESOLUTION NO.	OF 2021

PROVIDING THAT RESOLUTION NO. 169 OF 2021 ENTITLED "AUTHORIZING ALLOCATION OF EMERGENCY GRANT FUNDING TO SUPPORT ARTS ORGANIZATIONS NEGATIVELY IMPACTED BY COVID-19 PANDEMIC," BE AMENDED

BE IT MOVED, that Resolution No. 169 of 2021 entitled "AUTHORIZING ALLOCATION OF EMERGENCY GRANT FUNDING TO SUPPORT ARTS ORGANIZATIONS NEGATIVELY IMPACTED BY COVID-19 PANDEMIC," be amended as follows:

Section 1. The President of the Legislature County Executive, or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute grant agreements, contracts, or applications; and any amendments thereto, with the organizations and in the amounts listed below, in the total amount of \$136,000; for emergency grant funding related to the COVID 19 pandemic maintenance and operation of the following arts organizations pursuant to County Law § 224, for the period of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

## **Organization**

The Avenue Blackbox Theatre Inc.	\$20,000
Rochester Contemporary Art Center Inc.	\$10,000
Rochester Community Television-TV, In	
Borinquen Dance Theatre, Inc.	\$20,000
Mary Bisbee-Burrows, Karla Bisbee-Mo	
and Trelawney McCoy, d/b/a	
Legacy Drama House	\$10,000
Ibero-American Action League, Inc., on	
behalf of Rochester Latino Theatre	\$10,000
Irondequoit-Arts-Club	<del>\$5,000</del>
Blackfriars of Rochester, NY, Inc.	\$3,500
Boa Editions Limited	\$3,500
DeepDEEP Arts, Inc.	\$2,500
Flower City Arts Center, Inc.	\$3,500
Garth Fagan Dance, Inc.	\$4,000
Landmark Society of WNY Western Nev	v
York Inc.	\$4,500
Push Physical Theatre, Inc.	\$3,000
Rochester City Ballet, Inc.	\$5,500
Rochester Oratorio Society, Inc.	\$3,000
Visual Studies Workshop, Inc.	\$3,500
Writers And Books, Inc.	\$4,500
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Section 2. Such contracts shall require the rendering of a verified account of the disbursements with verified or certified vouchers therefor attached and a refund of any unused amount, in accordance with the requirements of County Law § 224.

Cultural & Educational Services, general fund 9001, funds center 8902010000, Authorized Agencies for the purpose of funding contracts with the above listed arts organizations.

Section 34. This resolution shall take effect in accordance with Section C2-7 of the Monroe County Charter.

Added language by this motion is underlined

Deleted language by this motion is stricken

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ADOPTION: Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

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operating budget of the Monroe CountyThe 2021 operating budget is hereby amended to transfer \$131,000 from the Legislature, general fund 9001, funds center 1001020000, Community Contingency Fund to Department of

Funding for these agreements, contracts, or applications is included in the 2021

Section 23.