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Pete Wither
Chair
Museum and Heritage Fund Advisory Board
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Dear Mr. Wither,

I am writing in regards to an open grant of \$10,000 from last year's grant cycle. Perry-Mansfield is appreciative of the Museum and Heritage Fund Advisory Board's recommendation and the approval by the Routt County Board of County Commissioners for the 2017 grant toward to the rehabilitation of the Julie Harris Theatre.

To date, our organization has made strides towards the rehabilitation of this building. The construction documents for critical work to the Julie Harris Theatre were completed. A bid was received for this work, along with a proposed timeline and phased approach for future work on the theatre. This provides Perry-Mansfield with an excellent road map for our future planning.

Moving forward with the full scope of renovation is currently cost prohibitive. There is a lack of available local contractors and construction offerings at manageable prices. Though many contractors were contacted for bids, we only had one response. At this time, we are not able to accept your grant dollars, as they were specifically allocated for the construction aspect of this project.

The Julie Harris Theatre remains integral to our current programming and significant within our larger historic campus. We hope when are able to raise the necessary funds to rehabilitate the building that we will still have your support.

This summer will be our 106th season and we welcome you to take in one of our many world class performances and free evening showcases, "Perry-Mansfield Under the Stars".

We are grateful to you and the entire board for committing your time and energy to preserving our county's heritage. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Kelly Latterman
Co-Executive Director
Perry-Mansfield