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September 25, 2012

Robert M. Graber
Clerk of the Erie County Legislature
92 Franklin Street – 4th Floor
Buffalo, New York 14202

Dear Mr. Graber:

This letter is a response from a communication that I received from Commissioner Whyte in reference to the Capital Project grant received in 2011 from the then County Executive Chris Collins.

I apologize for overlooking the reporting period and I hope I have not created any additional work for the department. The following were the questions that were sent in the Commissioners letter:

- **How the grant received pursuant to the resolution was spent;**
  Upon notification that we would be receiving the grant (after several discussions), I placed an order with the Resurrection Studios for the portable staging on October 26, 2011 – (please see attachment)

- **Total cost of the project or purchase;**
  $50,000.00

- **Timeframe within which the grant funds received were expended;**
  Received the monies around November 6, 2011 – Expended the monies on November 17, 2011

- **Whether there a remaining balance of grant funds**
  The entire grant was utilized for the staging.

Please note that this capital grant was issued under controversy and concern. I need to make the department know that there was a blessing. We purchased a portable stage that can also be utilized as risers in our theatre. Our seating was on the floor and had very bad

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sight lines, but now we have risers that seating is on levels which improved sight lines as well and improved the look of the theatre, and we also have our portable staging. The grant gave us the better of two worlds when there was such concern with the decision that had been made.

If any additional information is needed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Agnes M. Bain
Executive Director

cc: Joan Braciak, Erie County Dept. of Environment & Planning

Resurrection Studios
3698 East River Road
Grand Island, NY 14072
(716) 604-7668

10/26/2011

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350 Masten Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14209

Invoice #1143

Invoice for Midwest Folding Portable, Dual Height Staging / Seated Risers:

The amount of staging listed below is enough to outfit the entire seating area of the Paul Robeson Theatre with seated risers at levels of 8", 16", 24", and 32" heights, and the staging can be used outdoors as well, and will assemble up to a 24' x 32' portable stage, at 24" high, complete with 4 sets of stairs, railing for the sides and back of the stage, and skirting to go around the full stage and all seated risers. All staging, and steps will be finished in a black polypropolene finish which is waterproof and great for non-skid protection.

24- 3'x8' Dual Height Staging Units (16" or 24") number 3816DP
8- 3'x8' Dual Height Staging Units (24' or 32") number 3824DP
3- 3'x8' Dual Height Staging Units (8" or 16") number 3808DP
3- 3'x4' Dual Height Staging Units (16" or 24")
1- 3'x4' Dual Height Staging Units (24" or 32")
2- Midwest Folding Riser Caddy on wheels
20- Sections of 3' guardrails
8- Sections of 4' guardrails
2- 2 step stair units with handrails (for 16"-24" height)
2- 3 step stair units with handrails (for 24'-32" height)
8- 8'x32" black stage skirts
16- 8'x24" black stage skirts
8- 8'x16" black stage skirts
8- 8'x8" black stage skirts
100-8"x8" plywood leveling shims for use outdoors on un-even ground.
All interlocking hardware for assembly of 24'x32' stage, and seated risers is included.

Total price: $50,000 HS

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Pricing also includes delivery of all staging by Resurrection Studios, and full set-up of risers, along with training of employees of the ACC on how to set-up and use staging. Resurrection Studios will also assist in the full set-up of the portable stage as an outdoor stage at the first outdoor usage, and train any ACC employees in the usage of the staging outdoors.

All staging comes with a 10 year warranty and is rated to hold 200lbs per square foot, and 4800 lbs per 8' platform (2400 lbs per 4' platform). All staging is made in the USA.

All amounts may be made payable to Resurrection Studios, 3698 East River Road, Grand Island, NY 14072. (716) 604-7668. Please allow 6 weeks for delivery of portable staging system.

Received: Agnes M. Bair

Date: 11/11/11

By: [illegible]

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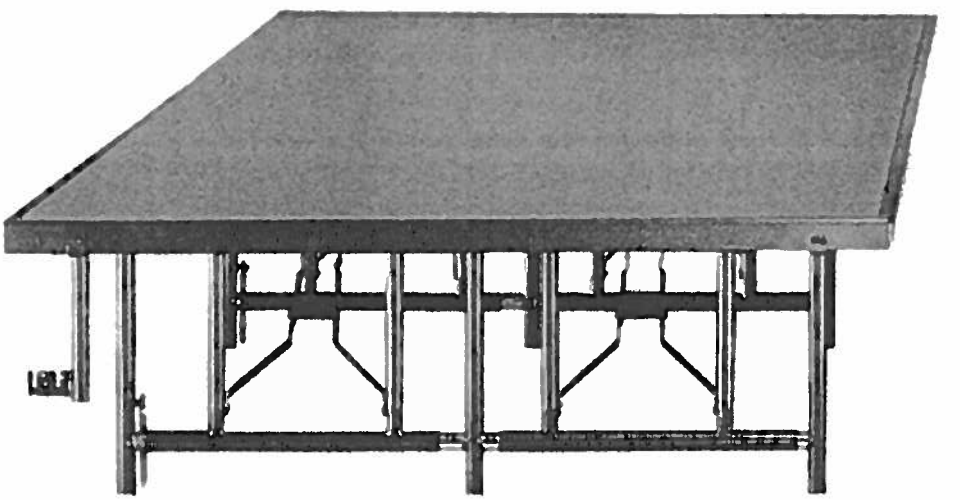

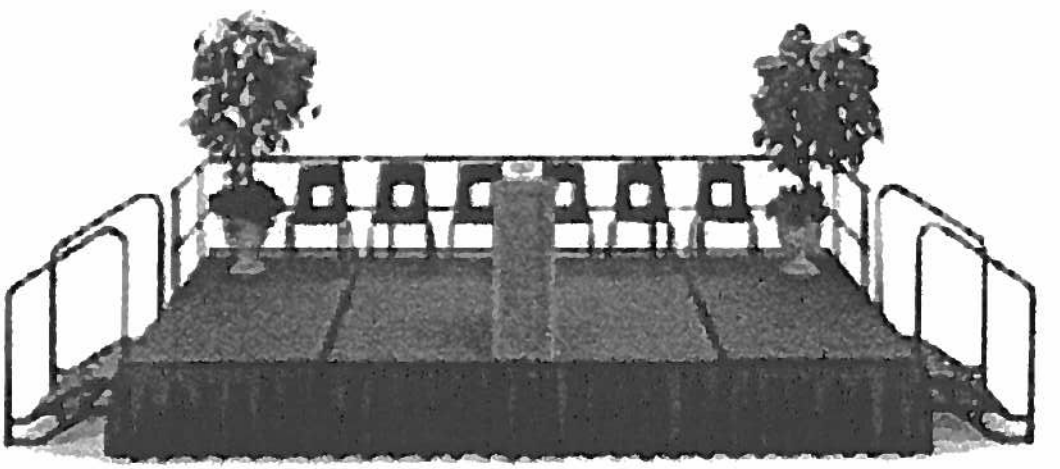

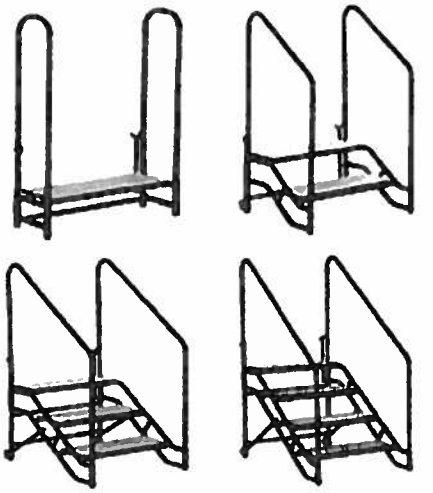

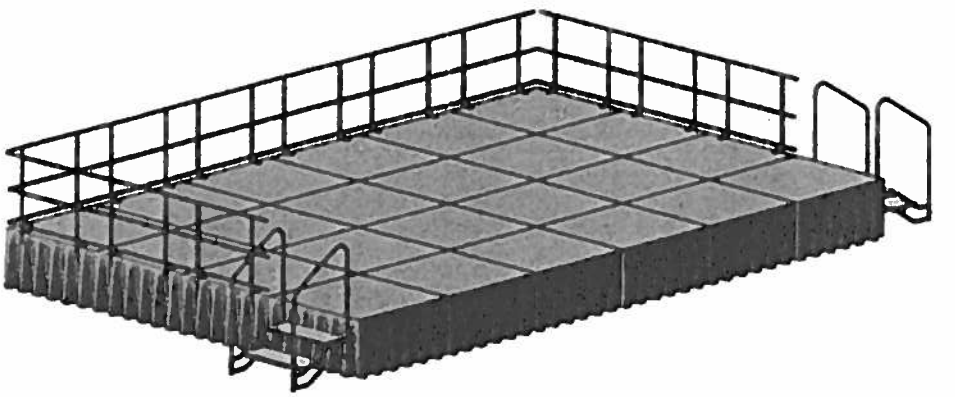

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