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Senator Lavon Heidemann
Chairperson – Appropriations Committee
Room 1004
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509-4664

Dear Senator Heidemann:

This is in response to your memorandum dated December 4, 2009 for the specific action the Nebraska Arts Council will implement to accommodate the budget actions pursuant to LB 1, 2 & 3 from the First Special Session, 2009:

Impact on Staffing

No layoffs will be implemented nor will any of the ten staff positions be left vacant.

Impact on Services

There will be no reduction in grants to applicants. The impact on services and agency functions are outlined on the attached sheet.

Impact on receipt of federal funds

The NAC does not foresee any reduction in federal funds from the National Endowment for the Arts.

Fee increases

No cash fund transfer to the General Fund was included during the special session. No fee increase anticipated at this time.

Sincerely



Suzanne Wise
Executive Director

cc. Sen. Danielle Conrad
Sen. Tony Fulton
Sen. Thomas Hansen
Sen. John Harms
Sen. Heath Mello
Sen. John Nelson
Sen. Jeremy Nordquist
Jeanne Glenn, Legislative Fiscal Analyst
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**Nebraska Arts Council
Budget Reductions**

FY2009-10FY2010-11

Program 326

Across the Board Reduction	\$ 11,583	\$ 31,186
Reappropriation Reduction	\$ 8,417	\$ -
Total Reduction	<u>\$ 20,000</u>	<u>\$ 31,186</u>

Reduction of Expenditures

Technology	Computer Hardware and Software Replacement Schedule	\$ 4,827	\$ 4,827	Revise replacement schedule from every 3 to every 5 years
Travel	Council Meeting Travel	\$ 1,789	\$ 3,578	Greater Nebraska meetings cancelled - quarterly meetings in Lincoln or Omaha only
	Grant Review Panels	\$ -	\$ 2,455	Grant review panels convened via conference call
	Staff Outreach to Greater Nebraska	\$ 3,429	\$ 3,499	Consulting Services for arts education, strategic planning, fundraising advice, governance troubleshooting, etc. recued by 50%
	Staff Professional Development	\$ 3,160	\$ 3,690	Limited to state & federal required compliance training
	Total for Travel	<u>\$ 8,378</u>	<u>\$ 13,222</u>	

Office Expenditures	Phone, Printing, Supplies and other Contractual Services	\$ 6,795	\$ 13,637
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Total Reduction Program 326	<u>\$ 20,000</u>	<u>\$ 31,686</u>
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