## St. LAWRENCE CENTRE FOR ARTS

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EX7.15.1

Monday, June 29th, 2015

Dear Executive Committee,

Regarding Executive Committee Meeting, Tuesday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Item **EX7.15**, Report on the future of the Civic Theatres.

I am writing in my capacity as Chairman of the Board of Management of St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts in connection with Item EX7.15, Report on the Future of the Civic Theatres, from the Acting City Manager and the General Manager, Economic Development and Culture, dated June 16, 2015 (the "Report").

We have considered the issues covered by the Report in depth and have in fact submitted, together with the General Managers of the Sony Centre for the Arts and Toronto Centre for the Arts our own report to Economic Development and Culture which for the most part is aligned with the report in question. In fact work has already commenced at the level of the General Managers of the three theatres to explore and facilitate many operational initiatives that the Report anticipates. This work is ongoing and will continue.

In that context I wish to communicate on my own behalf and with the unanimous consensus of the Board, our approval of the Report and its recommendations. We are very much appreciative of the City's support for the health, relevance and future success of the Civic Theatres and the critically important role that must play in the cultural landscape of Toronto. We urge the Executive Committee to adopt the report and submit it to City Council for approval.

Sincerely,

Steve Levitan

Chairman, Board of Management, St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts