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Joseph A. Curtatone, Mayor City of Somerville City Hall 93 Highland Avenue Somerville MA 02143-1794

Dear Mayor Curtatone:

We are pleased to inform you that Somerville Arts Council has been approved for an FY16 grant of \$13,050 from the Massachusetts Cultural Council's (MCC) Adams Arts Program.

The MCC board voted to approve the award for ArtsUnion (Grant #FY16-CE-IMP-0201) on September 1, 2015. This is the first year award of a two-year funding cycle.

Enclosed is the contract package. Please review the materials, sign the contract and the Scope of Services, and return the paperwork to the MCC's Contracts Department no later than Monday, December 14, 2015. Please note that the sooner the contract paperwork is returned to the MCC, the sooner the grant can be processed.

The MCC has invested in cultural economic development for more than a decade. At this time, we are going to step back, unpack the program, and consider how to use future funds to drive this agenda forward. For the next year we will be reviewing and redesigning the Adams Arts Program with the intent of launching a new funding program in FY18. We are extremely proud of the work that has been accomplished through the program and our partnership with your project.

We are delighted to be able to support this project and look forward to working with you in the year ahead.

Ira S. Lapidus

Chair

Anita Walker

Executive Director

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Enclosures

cc: Gregory Jenkins, Director, Somerville Arts Council

