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Subject: Notification of Personal Identity Information Breach

Dear Messrs. Anderson & Hollman,

On behalf of the Illinois Arts Council (IAC), I am writing to formally notify the General Assembly of a recent data security incident involving a breach of personal identity information. This letter is submitted in accordance with the Personal Information Protection Act 815 ILCS 530/25.

Incident Summary:

On June 17, 2025, the Illinois Arts Council discovered a data exposure incident that resulted in certain personal identity information being temporarily accessible through our online grantee portal, which is managed using the Salesforce platform. The issue stemmed from an unintentional glitch within the Salesforce system that allowed access beyond the intended user permissions.

Scope and Impact:

Upon identification of the issue, the IAC worked closely with Salesforce developers to investigate and contain the problem. The glitch was promptly diagnosed and resolved, and system access was corrected to prevent any further exposure. The incident was limited in scope and duration. Affected records included information such as names, addresses, and driver's license numbers of two individual grantee portal users.

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Actions Taken:

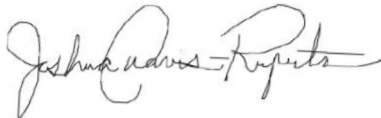
- The glitch was fixed immediately upon discovery.
- The two affected individuals were contacted and notified of the breach, consistent with applicable state and federal guidelines.
- An audit of the affected system was done and has implemented additional safeguards to prevent any recurrence.

Ongoing Commitment:

The Illinois Arts Council takes the privacy and security of our grantees and constituents very seriously. We are deeply committed to safeguarding personal information and have taken all necessary steps to strengthen our systems moving forward.

We are available to provide any further details or briefings to members of the General Assembly as requested. Please feel free to contact me directly at Encarnacion.Teruel@Illinois.gov with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



Joshua Davis-Ruperto, Executive Director Illinois Arts Council