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Seymour Rosen SPACES 1804 N. Van Ness Los Angeles, CA 90028

Dear Seymour,

Thank you for your note, and my apologies for the tardy reply. Enclosed is a copy of our press materials for the recipients of the Fourth Annual Nevada Governor's Arts Awards. Unfortunately, I cannot find any newspaper clippings covering the awards ceremony, although mention of Rolling Thunder was made in the local papers.

Regarding the role of SPACES in the award to Rolling Thunder:

- -- Upon suggestion by your organization that our agency provide recognition to the creators of folk arts environments, our council established a "Folk Arts" category in the Governor's Arts Awards for the first time this last year;
- -- As a result of SPACES' interest in and documentation of Rolling Thunder's environment, he was nominated for the award;
- -- As a direct result of SPACES cooperating with Susan Orr, a Council grantee documenting folk art environments, the Council had prior awareness of Rolling Thunder's efforts.

Seymour, it is certainly not overstating the case to suggest that the people of Nevada are now much more aware of both Rolling Thunder's environment and other such folk sites due to the support of your organization.

I hope the above provides the NEA with a clear picture of how valuable you and your organization are to our state.

Best Wishes,

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