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Mr. Christopher B. Manos
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Dear Chris:

I appreciate your recent telephone call advising me that beginning in 1968 Theater Under the Stars will move from the amphitheater at Chastain Memorial Park to the new Civic Center on Piedmont Avenue. We certainly have mixed emotions about you moving since it has become quite a tradition to have you at Chastain Park but we wish you every possible success in the coming years at the Auditorium and we can well appreciate that you can finally dismiss from your mind the threat of unpredictable weather, etc.

Although your annual lease has now expired on the amphitheater you still have several years running on your original five year lease for the large steel storage building you have in the park where you build props and other apparatus. In addition, I believe you've advised that you have obtained access to the old White Alms House at Chastain Park which still belongs to Fulton County. In view of the storage capacity you now have in the Alms House as well as your large warehouse, we would like to request that at your earliest convenience you proceed to remove all of your property from the amphitheater including the dressing rooms, wardrobe room, etc. Some of the locks on the property belong to your company and should be removed and taken with you and I think that a number of your personnel have keys that fit City locks and we ask that these be turned in to Mr. Chamblee out at the park. One of your stage managers - I just don't know exactly who - reached an agreement with our Mr. Chamblee that if the City permitted part of the amphitheater to be painted a sand color for your magnificent opera that when it was concluded you would repaint the structure to its original color. We would appreciate having this done before bad weather sets in.

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