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City Council
City Hall
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Dear Mayor and Councilmembers:

Attached for your consideration is a Resolution that authorizes a three year agreement with The Thalian Hall Center for the Performing Arts for the management, operation and maintenance of Thalian Hall. The Thalian Hall Center for the Performing Arts is currently undertaking plans and fund-raising for the expansion of Thalian Hall. This Resolution authorizes a multi-year agreement to coincide with The Thalian Hall Center for the Performing Arts fund-raising activities.

Passage of the attached Resolution is recommended.

Respectfully submitted,

Sterling B. Cheatham
City Manager

Resolution

City Council
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Introduced By: Sterling B. Cheatham, City Manager **Date:** 10/17/2007

Resolution Approving a Multi-Year Contract with The Thalian Hall Center for the Performing Arts for the Operation and Maintenance of Thalian Hall

LEGISLATIVE INTENT/PURPOSE:

Thalian Hall is an important historical and cultural asset of the City of Wilmington.

The Thalian Hall Center for the Performing Arts, Inc. has successfully managed, operated and maintained Thalian Hall and associated meeting spaces for the benefit of the City and its citizens for many years.

The City has entered into annual operating agreements with The Thalian Hall Center for the Performing Arts based on funds appropriated annually by the City Council.

The Thalian Hall Center for the Performing Arts is currently undertaking fund-raising activities for the expansion of Thalian Hall to include additional performance space which will enhance Thalian Hall's role as the center of the City's cultural activities.

In order to ensure the successful completion of the expansion to Thalian Hall and the continued operation and management of Thalian Hall, it is appropriate to enter into a multi-year agreement with The Thalian Hall Center for the Performing Arts for the management, operation and maintenance of Thalian Hall. The amounts to be paid under the agreement for the services provided by Thalian Hall Center for the Performing Arts shall be subject to annual appropriation by the City.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the City is hereby authorized to enter into a three year agreement with The Thalian Hall Center for the Performing Arts, Inc. for the management, operation and maintenance of Thalian Hall. The annual payments under the contract shall be subject to appropriation by the City Council.

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Bill Saffo, Mayor

Adopted at a _____ meeting
on _____, 2007.

ATTEST:

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City Clerk