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Colonial Fox Theatre Foundation Executive Director named State Representative

July 20, 2011: Vonnie Corsini, Executive Director of the Colonial Fox Theatre Foundation, was recently named State Representative for Kansas at the 35th Annual Conference of the League of Historic American Theatres (LHAT). Dedicated to sustaining America's historic theatres for the benefit of their communities and future generations, the League is a national network of more than 325 historic theatres across the U.S. and Canada.

Mrs. Corsini also serves as president of the Kansas Historic Theatres Association, which is the nation's premier state historic theatre association. "Vonnie's dedication to the mission of LHAT, both through her leadership in the Colonial Fox Theatre project and in the Kansas Historic Theatres Association well qualifies her to be the State Representative to LHAT from Kansas," said LHAT Executive Director, Fran Holden.

While attending the 35th LHAT conference "Creating Futures" in Schenectady, NY, Vonnie attended workshops and forums on topics related to community leadership; partnerships, alliances and collaborations; new technologies and "green" strategies; and innovative programming for historic theatres.

"I discover every year, while attending LHAT tours, how important restored historic theatres can be to the economic vitality and social renewal of downtown communities," noted Vonnie. "We saw specific examples in small communities along the Hudson Valley of dramatic changes in the social welfare of underserved populations as a direct result of creating arts and cultural centers, community living-rooms, in the downtown neighborhoods. This is important work we are doing."

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The Colonial Fox Theatre is a not-for-profit 501 (c) 3 organization, whose mission is to restore the historic Colonial Fox Theatre to be an enduring dynamic cultural center enriching the quality of life and economic vitality of Pittsburg and surrounding communities.