



## Executive Mansion Fund, Inc.

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FROM: Heyward H. McKinney, Jr.  
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Executive Mansion Fine Arts Committee

RE: Use of Interest Earned on Special Trust Fund for Executive Mansion  
(**Amending Report from August 21, 2009 – new information in bold**)

DATE: November 9, 2009

Senate Bill 819 in the 2003 Session of the Legislature, (Session Law 2003-404) provided for the sale of certain state-owned property in the Blount Street Historic District. Section 2 (3) of this act allocated a portion of the proceeds of these sales to establish a special trust fund in the Department of the State Treasurer to be held in trust and used solely for the upkeep, repair and maintenance of the Executive Mansion.

The Executive Mansion Fine Arts Committee (G.S. 143B-79) is given the duty of approving projects to be funded by interest earned on the special trust fund. The Committee is required to report expenditures to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations.

In accordance with this legislation, the Executive Mansion Fine Arts Committee submits the following report.

The Committee has approved two projects for the Mansion. It is anticipated the projects will be accomplished in the next several weeks.

- 1) Install in-ground lighting for the flagpoles near the Mansion's main front gate. This will enable the flying of the flags of the United States and the State of North Carolina to be flown 24 hours per day at the State's executive residence.  
**Final cost of this project was \$1,391.44**
- 2) Installation of a well, pump, and holding tank in order to provide ground water for use in irrigation of the Mansion grounds. This will avoid using potable city water for this purpose and insure the survival of the Mansion's extensive landscape plantings in times of drought. **This project still pending – final cost unknown as of November 9, 2009.**