

Statement from Interior Spokesman Blake Androff on Continuing Efforts to Finalize Agreement with District of Columbia on Ford Theatre (10/16/2013)

As the National Park Service has done with chief executives of impacted states, the agency has been working with the Mayor of the District of Columbia on a potential donation agreement that would provide the NPS funding needed to reopen the Ford Theatre during the shutdown. All parties have been working cooperatively and diligently; however, the agreement has not yet been finalized. We hope that funding will be quickly restored so that the Theater and related facilities may once again be opened for public use.