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To: Johnson, Charles Hall, James Mann,

Melissa Gum, Tyler Ditzler,

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Subject: Re: [External] Re: Volunteer Update - December 18, 2023

Thanks for the update.

BTW, I've already spoken with Jim Martin at Erie Time, received an email from Lisa Adams, and did an interview with Nicole Lee from JET TV.

I've been stressing our plans for EMM + Niagara. I'm also trying to manage expectations on our collaboration saying we don't know what for it will be eventually take. It could be back to a full associate agreement, collaborating on specific projects that benefit both organizations, or something in the middle.

From: Johnson, Charles <

Date: Monday, December 18, 2023 at 11:17 AM

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Well, he won't get his wish entirely but, great response from

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## "Don't Give Up The Ship"

From:

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Chuck,

This is welcome, positive news. I think this will reassure the volunteer community that Niagara has a bright future. Thank you, and PHMC, for this information.

It is most unfortunate, I think, that news of the end of the contract with FNL leaked out prematurely last weekend. That led to speculation, rumors, and anger toward PHMC (which now appears to be unjustified). I hope the ruffled feathers can be soothed.

My only concern is PHMC hiring the captain and crew. As the press release correctly noted, this was the arrangement up until 2009, when budget cuts abruptly pulled funding and the crew was let go. It is my hope that Billy will be retained as captain, along with [10], [1

For now, I am grateful and relieved that Niagara has a promising future.

Best regards,

On Mon, Dec 18, 2023 at 10:42 AM Charles Johnson < wrote:

As Contract for Services Nears End, Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission and Flagship Niagara League Committed to Continued Collaboration