

1 **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Blowing
2 Rock Community Arts Center Foundation, Inc., a nonprofit organization, the sum of
3 five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) for the 2008-2009 fiscal year to assist the
4 organization with expenses incurred in constructing the Mariam and Robert Hayes
5 Performing Arts Center.

6 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2008.