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Children’s museums say they are ready to meet new challenge they face

By Steve Johnson

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Chicagos Poetry Foundation sitting on millions

Petition asks for it to do more to help during pandemic

By Jennifer Day

A couple would after the pandemic

continues to sit on millions

of dollars in emergency fund

to support the community

Photo/John J. Kim

The Poetry Foundation is

announcing that it will begin

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Independence Day will be a

during pandemic

outdoor space to utilize,

with pathways and play

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assistance,” Burghardt said,

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