Berkshire Museum Update on Nine Works Included in Second Tranche

TWO PIECES SOLD TODAY IN SOTHEBY’S AUCTION

[11/16/2018] (For immediate release) PITTSFIELD, MA – Paintings by George Henry Durrie and Thomas Moran were purchased today at Sotheby’s American Art auction in New York City. These are the final two works offered by the Berkshire Museum in the second tranche of sales approved last Spring by the Office of the Attorney General.

Purchased at auction today were:

- George Henry Durrie, *Hunter in Winter Wood*, sold for $312,500 (aggregate)
- Thomas Moran, *The Last Arrow*, sold for $1,335,000 (aggregate)

Further questions about the sales should be directed to Sotheby’s.

Art sales to date have resulted in net proceeds of approximately $53 million. The Berkshire Museum Board of Trustees has not made any decision about future sales.

These sales reflect the April 5, 2018, Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court’s approval of the joint proposal of the Museum and the Office of the Attorney General (AGO). That agreement, approved by the SJC, authorized the sale of works to generate the $55 million the museum needs to create a sustainable endowment and fund needed renovations and repairs to the Museum’s more than 100-year-old building.

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