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Detroit Historic District Commission 2 Woodward Avenue Suite 808 Detroit, Mi 48226

To Whom it May Concern:

As Chair of the Board of Directors of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, I would like to congratulate Carol and Paul Schaap on the opening of the Schaap Center for the Performing Arts. Adding a new arts center to the region expands our collective impact and provides additional and unique opportunities to educate, create dialogue, and inspire.

The DSO has a long history of performing in neighborhoods throughout Southeast Michigan and beyond! We value the opportunity to present unforgettable musical experiences in a variety of venues to engage audiences and make it accessible for all. We are fortunate to have a strong arts and culture community in the Detroit area and appreciate the collaborative spirit that makes this region exceptional.

Our communities benefit from an increased investment in arts and culture. We are grateful to Carol and Paul for this additional creative environment.

Sincerely,

David T. Provost

Chairman, DSO Board of Directors