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Dear Racine Symphony Orchestra Patron

You have something to be proud of.

Because of you the Racine Symphony is in our 86th year of keeping music alive for the people of Racine. We are one of the oldest symphony orchestras in Wisconsin in continuous operation. You have made this possible. In an era where many orchestras are forced to shut their doors, your support has kept us a vibrant member of the artistic community. Your financial contributions have ensured our survival and are needed to keep the RSO moving into the future.

Where do your dollars go? Your donations help us fulfill our mission to enrich, educate, and entertain the people of Racine through the power of music.

Think of the festive atmosphere of our Holiday Pops Concert in December. The twinkling lights of Festival Hall as we gather to enjoy music of the season and participate in the holiday sing along. This celebration has become part of the holiday traditions of our community. Your support makes that happen.

How many times have you found yourself inspired by our Masterworks series? The brilliant performances by our yearly Artist In Residence. A finely honed rendition of a Haydn Symphony with the RSO lead by our incredible Maestro, Pasquale Laurino. Beautiful music soaring into the air as the orchestra collaborates with choruses and other local artists. Your generous donations help us create these beautiful moments over the years.

Imagine a world of music opening up for the many students touched by the RSO's education programs. Third grade

students enthralled by the Introduction to Strings performance at their school. Fifth graders hearing a symphony orchestra for the first time. A vocalist experiencing singing with an orchestra for the High School Choral Invitational in December. High school students being thrust into a higher level of musicianship as they perform alongside professional musicians for our Side-by-Side season finale. Your support makes these programs possible.

All of the education programs listed above are free to participants and made possible by patron donations and grants. Did you know that ticket sales account for only a fraction of our operating costs? The Racine Symphony needs you to continue to bring beautiful music and educational outreach programs to the people of Racine.

We are excited to enter another season with 100% of our hard working volunteer Board financially contributing to our mission. Please join us and keep music alive in our community. Your support makes the RSO happen.

Your loyalty is crucial to our success.

Please fill out the reply card and enclosed envelope, make your gift right now at www.racinesymphony.org, or call 262-636-9285. Monthly donation programs are available.

Sincerely,

Tammy Leverich
President, Board of Directors

Beth Bender
Executive Director

P.S. Want more information about the RSO's many programs? See the enclosed brochure or contact the office at 262-636-9285. We always love hearing from you!