

GREENSBORO SYMPHONY

DMITRY SITKOVETSKY MUSIC DIRECTOR

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

Dear GSO Patron,

We need your help. Wouldn't you like to attend concerts in a first-class concert hall? If the answer is yes, please let our City Council know by writing or e-mailing them. They are deciding what to include on the November 2006 bond referendum right now and will have a final decision in June. This could be the opportunity for us to receive many improvements to the War Memorial Auditorium including acoustics, sightline, parking and bathrooms. It won't happen if the City Council does not hear from the citizens of Greensboro.

Please find below a sample letter and on the back of this page you will find how to contact each member of the Greensboro City Council. You may also go to www.ci.greensboro.nc.us/council/ and you can send the message to multiple councilmen.

We hope you will join us in this important project for the City of Greensboro.

Sincerely,

Greensboro Symphony Board

SAMPLE: Dear (Council Member):

I write to urge you to include the War Memorial Auditorium in the 2006 Bond Referendum and to allow for full funding at \$39,852,815. Council members, more than anyone, know what a valuable asset Greensboro has in its Coliseum and the necessity of ensuring that the entire complex is a Class A facility; including a fully funded renovation in the bond package will do just that.

Greensboro is at a crossroads. Despite trying economic times, many efforts have been underway to enhance the City and its economy. To ensure a vibrant future, we need to provide first-rate facilities for our citizens and for outsiders who visit our community. Our one and only public performing arts and concert hall, its lobby, its behind-the-stage facilities, its parking, its bathrooms, and its sound and lighting – all are out of date.

The private sector – foundations, corporations, and individuals – have funded the ballpark, Center City Park, housing incentives for downtown, enhancements for public education, the Piedmont Triad Entrepreneurial Network, the expansion of the Nussbaum Center, business retention efforts, arts organization fund drives and more. It is time for our city government to enter the arena in a major way and help set Greensboro apart from other communities, help ensure a dynamic future for all our citizens. I urge you to include a top-notch renovation of War Memorial Auditorium in the bond referendum.

Sincerely,

(Name, Address)

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