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Ms. Karin Wolf, Arts Administrator
City of Madison
215 Martin Luther King Boulevard, Rm. LL110
Madison, WI 53703

Re: Grant Application/Madison Music Makers, Inc.

Dear Ms. Wolf and Members of the Madison Arts Commission:

I am writing to express my strong support for a grant application by Madison Music Makers, Inc. to provide low-income children with free or low-cost, neighborhood-based violin instruction and performance opportunities.

I represent the Bayview Apartments, which is served by this high-quality program. I saw the children in this program perform at last year's Bayview Holiday Party and was extremely impressed by their musicality and poise. In addition to representing Bayview, I am the mother of a first grader who takes violin lessons and appreciate how much young children benefit from exposure to music education.

I hope that the Madison Arts Commission will support this worthy program by approving their grant application. Please do not hesitate to contact me directly if I can be of further assistance with this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Julia S. Kerr
Aldersperson
District 13

cc: David Haas, Bayview Foundation
Athena Skaleris, Madison Music Makers, Inc.