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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter should serve to nominate Stefania Paterak, Programming Manager of the Corporation of Massey Hall and Roy Thomson Hall, to the Yonge-Dundas Square Board of Management.

Previously, the Corporation saw Jesse Kumagai, Director of Programming sit on the Board of Management and this position will be vacant at the beginning of the next term. Effective February 14, 2014 Mr. Kumagai resigned from the Corporation to fill the role of Vice President, Talent at Live Nation Canada.

Ms. Paterak has been in the Programming Department of the Corporation since January 2009 and has been in the role of Programming Manager since November 2013. Upon the departure of Mr. Kumagai, Ms. Paterak took on much of Mr. Kumagai's portfolio while a search for a new Director of Programming occurred. Ms. Paterak will continue to have a significant and senior role as Programming Manager when incumbent Director of Programming, Chris Lorway, begins with the Corporation in September.

We nominate Ms. Paterak to fill this vacancy as she has years of experience with the Corporation specifically as well as other diverse experience including Volunteer Administration. She has a unique and valuable perspective and is a driven community-builder. She values city-building, civic engagement and service, as well as responsibly activating and animating public spaces.

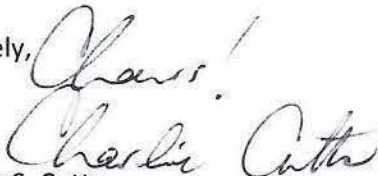
Ms. Paterak is passionate about the City of Toronto, calling it home for the last 13 years. Her work at the Scarborough Historical Museum (2003-2005) included educating young people about the beginnings of this community as well as filling the role of Community Project Officer for the *Bendale: About Place* exhibit. More recently, she has volunteered at Fort York, Out of the Cold, and the Great Canadian Shoreline Clean-Up.

Ms. Paterak consistently demonstrates excellent communication and interpersonal skills working with a wide variety of interests and needs among various stakeholders including artists, agents and promoters. Her position at the Corporation requires that she regularly exercise diplomacy and tact while making sound and meaningful decisions. Her administrative skills are excellent and her position requires sound financial judgement on a very large scale.

Ms. Paterak also has experience at a governance level and currently is on the Board of Directors for CAPACOA (Canada's Arts Presenting Association). She has a Certificate in Arts Administration from Humber College and has completed courses in Volunteer Management for the Cultural Sector and Leadership in the Non-Profit Sector.

We feel that Ms. Paterak would be an excellent addition to the Yonge-Dundas Board of Management and would skilfully and competently represent the Corporation of Massey Hall and Roy Thomson Hall. Should you have any questions or require any further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me at the information below.

Sincerely,



Charles S. Cutts
President & CEO

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