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Dear Ms McMonigal-St. Dennis:

The Community Development Committee of the Highland District Council would like to submit this letter of support for the Sound Level Variance on Wednesday, June 25, 2014 at 730 Cleveland Ave South.


The Committee and the Highland District Council have been working in partnership to bring music into Highland Park. We have applied for a Knight Arts Challenge grant with the MN Music Coalition, have talked to St Paul Public Library about bringing in someone for the Grand opening of the Highland Library, and have been pursuing different partnerships for the past six months.

We feel it is a great benefit to the Highland Park neighborhood and to our community to be able to bring in a quality jazz act, and to partner with Jazzfest and the Highland Business Association for this event. This is the first time we have held an event like this, and so we have taken some steps to make it a fun event, enjoyed by all.

- Hours from 7:00 – 8:30 PM –short hours, no lighting needed
- The band will be facing away from residential and into the Business Area
- No stage so the music will not be projected above the crowd
- Very low level/ simple PA system, so not a huge amount of sound

The people and organizations of Highland Park have expressed great enthusiasm for this event, and we are hoping to bring more music to different areas of Highland Park in the fall of 2014 and throughout the summer of 2015.

This sound level variance will be beneficial to the Community of Highland Park and we urge the City Council to give their support.

Sincerely,

Kathy Carruth
Executive Director
Highland District Council