Dear Friends,

We sincerely hope that this letter finds you and your loved ones safe and well! Like you, we have continued to adapt, innovate and reimagine the way we “do business” (NOT as usual)! As we look forward to 2022, we want to share some transformative news.

This January, we will be launching our new arts incubator - the Mayfair Arts Center or “MAC”. Continuing the work of the American Rhythm Center, the MAC will serve more independent artists, more small to medium-sized dance companies and more children, teens, adults and elders - through classes, performances and business development services. Just as importantly, the MAC will also honor the 63+ year legacy of Tommy and Peggy Sutton and the Mayfair Academy -a true South Side institution.

With the help of many generous individual donors as well as a grant from the City of Chicago’s Neighborhood Opportunity Fund, our RAISE THE ROOF campaign has raised $1.2 million toward the $1.5 million goal to acquire, repair, staff and operate this amazing facility in Calumet Heights.

And if that were not enough, our leadership succession map, designed through a 2019 strategic planning process, has led CHRP to its next Artistic Director, Jumaane Taylor! Jumaane has established himself internationally as a leader in the field through his teaching, performing and creative prowess. But, we are especially proud of the fact that Jumaane was a CHRP Tap Scholar as a teen and credits CHRP’s summer festival - Rhythm World - for providing the SPARK and many of his formative experiences. Under Jumaane’s direction, CHRP will write a new chapter and carry the torch forward!

Please help us RAISE THE ROOF and support Jumaane Taylor’s new leadership by making a pledge or a gift today.

We are very grateful for your past support and look forward to seeing you in 2022 at the MAC, at our May 12 Jubalee honoring Paul Levy and Mia Park or at our 32nd Annual summer festival RHYTHM WORLD, July 8-24!

Thank you again and may you have a blessed holiday season and wonderful new year!

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