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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to acknowledge the commendable efforts of the Looking at the Stars Foundation in bringing classical music concerts to enrich the lives of offenders in federal institutions.

Since 2015, this foundation has provided federal offenders with opportunities in several Correctional Service of Canada (CSC) institutions in the Ontario and Quebec Regions to attend classical music concerts featuring world-class musicians. These events have been appreciated and consistently well-received by both offenders and CSC staff.

CSC recognizes the value of this initiative and is grateful for the gift of music that this foundation has brought to the lives of federal offenders as they engage in their rehabilitation and prepare for their eventual reintegration into the community. In particular, offenders who attended these events expressed gratitude to the musicians for raising their spirits and providing them with hope, inspiration, and the opportunity to consider new things and expand their horizons. For many offenders, these concerts are a once in a lifetime experience and their first introduction to a live presentation of classical music.

CSC is pleased to acknowledge the laudable efforts of the Looking at the Stars Foundation's classical music concert initiative in recognition of the value it has brought to the offender population.

Sincerely,

Anne Kelly