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MAYOR

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Dear Friends:

On behalf of the City of Los Angeles, it is my great pleasure to extend my warmest wishes to "Education Through Music-Los Angeles" and to congratulate them on their achievement in bringing quality music education to the underserved Los Angeles communities and youth as part of the core curriculum.

LA's Best of the Mayor's Office is proud to be partnering with "Education Through Music-LA" on working towards the goal of providing every child with a comprehensive, sequential music instruction. I applaud you for your tremendous effort and contributions, enhancing the lives of thousands of young people through music.

Thank you for the invitation to your Fourth Annual Benefit Gala. While I regret not being able to attend, I want to acknowledge and congratulate your honorees for the 4th Annual Benefit Gala: Music Educator Vincent Houser And Grammy-Winning Gordon Goodwin's Big Phat Band. Your commitment to our children and their future is of utmost acclamation. I would also like to praise the Hon. Co-Chairs Johnny Mathis ,Patti Austin, and Emcee Justin Guarini for their support in your event to enable programs like Education Through Music-Los Angeles to flourish so that more children may receive the benefits of music education.

On behalf of the City of Los Angeles, thank you for serving our children and communities, and please accept my sincerest wishes for continued success!

Very truly yours,

ANTONIO R. VILLARAIGOSA
Mayor