

December 14, 2006

Mr. Roman Teplinsky
Empyrean Strings

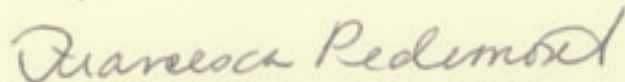
Dear Roman,

We wanted to say thank you for your invaluable support over the past month with the coordination of the Goldman Sachs Partners' Dinner at the New York Botanical Garden on Saturday, December 2.

The entertainment was an integral component of the evening and it was a delight to experience the talent of your musicians. Thank you for creating a memorable musical program.

The Partners' Dinner was a great success and we appreciate your energy and hard work with the planning and execution of this event. Thank you for everything. We look forward to partnering with you on future events.

Best,



Francesca Pedemonti