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To Whom It May Concern:

The Friends of the New Bedford Public Library hosts several fund raising events throughout the year. One of the most popular is "Winter Warmings," musical presentations held in the intimate setting of a private home.

A repeat performer is Mark T. Small, an accomplished guitar (as well as other instruments) player and singer. At our final "Winter Warmings" of the 2016-2017 season, Mr. Small presented his "American Music Concert" program. The event was more than a musical delight, but included a history "lecture" about the roots of many American music forms. I have placed the word lecture in quotation marks, because this was not a dry and boring lecture. As the history of American musical styles was traced throughout the performance, Mr. Small demonstrated them with virtuoso renditions of the prototypes of the music followed by a counterpoint showing how it became the form we know today.

This highly successful event helped raise funds for children's programming at the different branches of the New Bedford Public Library. I highly recommend Mark T. Small and this program as a highly entertaining and informative event for your organization.

Sincerely,

Diane V. Duprey  
President  
Friends of the  
New Bedford Public Library