January 9, 2020

The Honorable Jim Whelan New Jersey Senate, District 2 507 Tilton Road Northfield, NJ 08225

Dear Senator Whelan,

Thank you for your continued support of the arts in our legislative district and throughout New Jersey.

I am delighted to inform you that ORGANIZATION NAME has been nominated by our peers as CATEGORY in the 2020 JerseyArts.com People's Choice Awards. Now in its 12<sup>th</sup> year, these annual awards honor the work of New Jersey's vital, vibrant, and diverse arts community, while engaging arts lovers and patrons throughout the state.

Last year, more than 100 nonprofit arts groups and arts districts were nominated by members of the arts community. From these nominations, the public voted for their favorite arts organizations in 19 categories, with nearly 14,000 ballots cast statewide.

We're honored to be recognized by our colleagues, and to be a part of such a strong arts community.

PLEASE INCLUDE INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR ORGANIZATION AND UPCOMING EVENTS

The JerseyArts.com People's Choice Awards are coordinated through the Discover Jersey Arts program, a cosponsored project of the ArtPride New Jersey Foundation and New Jersey State Council on the Arts aimed at increasing the awareness of and participation in the arts. For further details about the Awards, please visit ArtPrideNJ.org/peoples-choice-awards.

As you know, the arts are essential to so many facets of life in New Jersey, including education, healthcare, and quality of life. Thank you for recognizing the value of the arts in our district and statewide.

Sincerely,

SIGNATURE NAME TITLE, ORGANIZATION