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Dear Mr. Murphy:

Friends of Loring Park is pleased to offer a donation of \$20,000 towards the recently completed Hennepin Avenue Entrance Plaza in Loring Park. This plaza is an important addition to the park, and our board of directors approved this expenditure as a contribution towards the plantings in the new plaza before construction began. This contribution will continue Friends of Loring Park's long-continuing sponsorship of improvements in the park from 1997 to date, including (among many others) the award-winning Garden of the Seasons and other gardens throughout the park, the Superintendent's House (now the Performance Place), renovation of the Loring Park Community Center, and restoration of the park's previously neglected urban forest. We also organize volunteers who work with MPRB gardeners to maintain the park's gardens (we just received the Volunteer Group of the Year Award for 2011 from MPRB!), and look forward to helping with maintenance of plantings in the new plaza.

Sincerely,

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