



THE CITY OF NEW YORK
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
NEW YORK, NY 10007

January 28, 2019

Dear Friends:

It is a great pleasure to welcome everyone to Carnegie Hall for Music for Life International's Beethoven for The Rohingya Concert.

The power of music and the arts crosses cultures and borders, uniting people of all backgrounds and fostering strong ties throughout our global community. My administration is determined to provide our residents with opportunities to be inspired by our city's diverse and talented musicians and performing artists, and tonight's concert hosted by Music for Life International will feature Beethoven's iconic Ninth Symphony as a bold reminder of the need to fight back against discrimination, injustice, and bigotry in all its forms. In addition to raising awareness of the humanitarian crisis in Myanmar and the displacement of Rohingya refugees, this event will also support the ongoing mission of Doctors Without Borders to provide vital medical care to those in need. I am proud to applaud all of this concert's organizers and performers as we continue to ensure our city remains a beacon of hope for all people and preserve the values of peace, diversity, and tolerance that unite us all.

On behalf of the City of New York, I offer my best wishes for a meaningful and enjoyable concert.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill de Blasio".

Bill de Blasio
Mayor