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[Address] [Address] [Address]

Dear [Name]:

We are writing to share information with you regarding a third-party software security incident that may have impacted your personal information and additional measures you can take if you wish to do so.

Green Mountain Valley School uses DonorPerfect, a fundraising software solution that helps nonprofit organizations manage gifts and donations. On January 30, 2024, DonorPerfect notified us that it experienced a security incident that may have impacted personal information related to you. Although we are not aware of any fraudulent activity associated with your personal information, it is always advisable to regularly review your financial accounts and report any suspicious or unrecognized activity. The enclosed "General Information About Identity Theft Protection" provides further information about steps that individuals can take. Federal regulatory agencies recommend vigilance for the next 12 to 24 months and that you report any suspected incidents of fraud to the relevant financial institution.

DonorPerfect has arranged to provide credit monitoring services through IDX at no cost to you. These services include 12 months of credit monitoring, identity protection through CyberScan, a \$1 million identity fraud loss reimbursement policy, and fully managed identity theft recovery services. The opportunity to subscribe to these services is not intended to suggest that you are at substantial risk of harm. To take advantage of the services, please contact DonorPerfect at creditmonitoring@donorperfect.com.

Please email Tracy Keller at tkeller@gmvs.org if you have any questions related to this letter.

Sincerely,

Tracy Keller Head of School Green Mountain Valley School

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT IDENTITY THEFT PROTECTION

It is always advisable to regularly review statements from your accounts and periodically obtain your credit report from one or more of the national credit reporting companies. You may obtain a free copy of your credit report online at www.annualcreditreport.com by calling toll free 1.877.322.8228, or by mailing an Annual Credit Report Request Form (available at www.annualcreditreport.com) to: Annual Credit Report Request Service. P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA, 30348-5281. You may also purchase a copy of your credit report by contacting one or more of the three national credit reporting agencies listed below:

- Equifax, P.O. Box 740241, Atlanta, Georgia 30374-0241. 1.800.685.1111. www.equifax.com
- Experian, P.O. Box 9532, Allen, TX 75013. 1.888.397.3742. www.experian.com
- TransUnion, 2 Baldwin Pl., P.O. Box 1000, Chester, PA 19016. 1.800.916.8800. www.transunion.com

<u>Fraud Alert</u>: You may contact the fraud department of the three major credit bureaus to request that a "fraud alert" be placed on your file. A fraud alert notifies potential lenders to verify your identification before extending credit in your name.

 Equifax:
 Report Fraud:
 1.800.685.1111

 Experian:
 Report Fraud:
 1.888.397.3742

 TransUnion:
 Report Fraud:
 1.800.680.7289

Security Freeze for Credit Reporting Agencies: You may request a security freeze on your credit reports. A security freeze prohibits a credit reporting agency from releasing any information from a consumer's credit report without written authorization. However, please be aware that placing a security freeze on your credit report may delay, interfere with, or prevent the timely approval of any requests you make for new loans, credit mortgages, employment, housing or other services. It is free to place, lift or remove a security freeze. You must separately place a security freeze on your credit report at each credit bureau. To do so, you must contact the credit bureaus by phone, mail, or secure electronic means:

- Equifax: P.O. Box 105788, Atlanta, GA 30348, 1.800.349.9960, www.Equifax.com
- Experian: P.O. Box 9554, Allen, TX 75013, 1.888.397.3742, www.Experian.com
- TransUnion: P.O. Box 2000, Chester, PA 19106, 1.888.909.8872, www.TransUnion.com

To request a security freeze, you will need to provide the following:

- Your full name (including middle initial, Jr., Sr., Roman numerals, etc.),
- Social Security number
- Date of birth
- Address(es) where you have lived over the prior five years
- Proof of current address such as a current utility bill
- A photocopy of a government-issued ID card
- If you are a victim of identity theft, include a copy of either the police report, investigative report, or complaint to a law enforcement agency concerning identity theft

If you request a freeze online or by phone, the agency must place the freeze within one business day. The credit bureaus have three business days after receiving a request by mail to place a security freeze on your credit report, and they must also send confirmation to you within five business days and provide you with a unique personal identification number (PIN) or password, or both that can be used by you to authorize the removal or lifting of the security freeze. To lift the freeze to allow a specific entity or individual access to your credit report, you must contact the credit reporting agencies and include (1) proper identification; (2) the PIN number or password provided to you when you placed the security freeze; and (3) the identities of those entities or individuals you would like to receive your credit report or the specific period of time you want the credit report available.

You also have rights under the federal Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA). These include, among others, the right to know what is in your file; to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information; and to have consumer reporting agencies correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information. For more information about the FCRA, please visit https://files.consumerfinance.gov/f/documents/bcfp_consumerrights-summary_2018-09.pdf or www.ftc.gov.

Steps You Can Take if You Are a Victim of Identity Theft

- <u>File a police report</u>. Get a copy of the report to submit to your creditors and others that may require proof of a crime.
- Contact the U.S. Federal Trade Commission (FTC). The FTC provides useful information to identity theft victims and maintains a database of identity theft cases for use by law enforcement agencies. File a report with the FTC by calling the FTC's Identity Theft Hotline: 1-877-IDTHEFT (438-4338); online at http://www.ftc.gov/idtheft; or by mail at Identity Theft Clearinghouse, Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20580.
- <u>Keep a record of your contacts</u>. Start a file with copies of your credit reports, the police reports, any correspondence, and copies of disputed bills. It is helpful to log conversations with creditors, law enforcement officials, and other relevant parties.

Additional Steps to Avoid Identity Theft: The FTC has further information about steps to take to avoid identity theft at: http://www.ftc.gov/idtheft; calling 1-877-IDTHEFT (438-4338); or write to Consumer Response Center, Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20580.

State Specific Information

Massachusetts residents are reminded that you have the right to obtain a police report and request a security freeze as described above. There is no charge to place a security freeze on your account; however, you may be required to provide the credit reporting agency with certain personal information (such as your name, Social Security Number, date of birth and address) and proper identification (such as a copy of a government-issued ID card and a bill or statement) prior to its honoring your request.