

I am personally very anxious to secure for this new venture the goodwill and endorsement of the first people of the City, as I conscientiously believe it will meet a long felt want in the artistic life of Montreal.

I have interviewed Sir Charles Gordon, and Colonel Herbert Molson, who, like yourself, have very kindly agreed to consider endorsing our efforts.

I am advised by Colonel Molson that he expects to be in conference with yourself and Sir Charles Gordon to-morrow, Friday, morning, and I would esteem it a very great favor indeed if you will take this matter up with them at that time.

If it is decided that our plan has merit, and is practical, may we use your names to head the list of those who approve of the movement?

Thanking you in advance for what I feel will be a favorable decision, I wish to take the opportunity of expressing my appreciation of your unfailing kindness and interest on past occasions.

Sincerely yours,

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