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April 6, 2010

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Mellin 111 North Ave, Suite 102 Barrington, IL 60010

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Mellin:

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When the Foundation was formed in 1998, the goal was to build a permanent fund for the long-term, and then grant 5% of that fund each year averaged over 12 quarters. That formula was adopted when no one thought we would have the kind of recession we have had. Even though the Foundation saw its assets decline 20% from 2007 to 2008, certainly less than many endowments, by the end of 2009 the net assets were up to the 2007 level, roughly \$2.5 million, and the Foundation also granted \$230,000 in those two years. Despite the recession, the Foundation has returned to growth a year ahead of most.

With that kind of good management and that kind of support to address unmet needs in the community, the Foundation deserves our support and we think it also at least deserves your consideration. Here is an experienced Board of Directors, representing all areas of our community that steadily raises money, grants it very judiciously and keeps its expenses to 1% of it assets. Since 2000, the first year the Foundation made grants, the cumulative total is nearly \$500,000 to 37 local charities, some several times.

Times are tough now. We all know that. They are especially tough for those in need or who are having now to turn to charities for help. To address those unmet needs, we have an organization in our community for just that mission, the Barrington Area Community Foundation. Please join us in sending a donation. It is really an investment in our community. Thank you.

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