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270 Riverside Drive
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Mr. Emil Hilb
Windsor Hotel
New York City

Dear Mr. Hilb.

I herewith acknowledge receipt of your kind letter of June 3rd.

It gratifies me to learn from you as spokesman for a group of influential men and musically interested patrons, that a movement is in progress suggesting to me to assume the leadership of an institution of musical learning, featuring the pianoforte.

I see the justification of your effort in choosing me to guide its destinies, having had a life-long experience and having devoted many years to the development and advancement of my chosen instrument.

It is the thought of transmitting this knowledge — also the initiative I have shown in the past in advancing piano-pedagogy — to coming generations of budding talent and truthsearching teachers, that such a suggestion finds a sympathetic echo within me.

letter to Mr.E.Hilb

Believing in your ability and fitness for propagating and organizing important musical undertakings, and also knowing you as an Honorary Member of the Society of Concertizing Artists in Germany, I feel confident that your efforts, strengthened by an unusual idealism, will not be in vain.

Wishing you success in all your endeavors, I

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Very sincerely yours,

Leopold Godowsky