## Members of the DTOS Family,

I want to start out by saying how truly honored I am to have the opportunity to assume the role of President / Chairman of DTOS. Bob Dilworth has been a faithful and loyal leader of this organization for over 50 years. His trademark has been woven into the fabric of what DTOS is today. His bold leadership of DTOS and his compassion for the Mighty Kimball is evident in all that he has done for the organization. We are so fortunate to have had someone like Bob leading this organization for so long. While Bob can never be replaced, I can assure you that I will do my best to uphold the traditions of this organization, while also exploring future ways to showcase the Mighty Kimball to wider audiences.



I have been involved with this organization since the mid-90's as a season ticket holder. I became reacquainted with DTOS during the 2014-15 concert season. I offered to contribute an article to the *Vox Humana*, detailing a site visit that I had made with my in-laws to Boardwalk Hall to see the "largest organ in the world." Bob liked the article so much that he asked if I could start writing the concert reviews. With that, I became committed to attending each and every concert. Then, he asked me to start coming to the Advisory Board meetings, which further connected me to DTOS. Eventually, I was nominated and elected to serve on the Board of Directors. At that point, I became fully involved with the inner-workings of DTOS and more closely connected with the dedicated individuals, who are the heart and soul of this great organization.

Professionally, I serve as the Chief of Staff at Northampton Community College in Bethlehem, PA, where I oversee Government and Community Relations; Institutional Research, Planning and Effectiveness; and the Strategic Operations of the College. I work hand-in-hand with the President of the College and am involved with the daily operations and fundraising endeavors. Prior to this position, I worked at Drexel University in Philadelphia for over 20 years, serving as Dean of Students and Chief Student Affairs Officer for 15 years.

It is my hope that I can lead this organization with humility and passion, like that of Bob Dilworth. Bob is a legacy, and as a way of acknowledging him for all of his hard work and dedication to DTOS, the Board unanimously decided to confer upon him the title of "President / Chairman Emeritus." I am so grateful, and we are so fortunate, that Bob will continue to serve in various roles, including mentor to me, to ensure the continued success of DTOS. Additionally, we cannot overlook the incredible contributions of Mary Ann Dilworth, who has served as the backbone of this organization, alongside her husband.

Thank you for this incredible opportunity to serve as the President / Chairman of DTOS. I am humbled by the faith you have placed in me, and I promise I will work diligently and faithfully to continue to make this organization great. You have my word. If you have any suggestions, please do not hesitate to share them with me.

I look forward to what the future holds for DTOS!

Warm regards,

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