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Dear Prospective Sponsor:

The Polish American Association (PAA) is pleased to announce its **Annual Gala & Benefit Auction** on Saturday, November 16, 2013 at the Intercontinental Hotel O'Hare, Chicago, Illinois. The 2013 Presidential Award will be presented to Ted and Barbara Martin. They are being recognized for their long-standing commitment and generous contributions to the Polish American community.

Ted Martin is the President of Parkway Metal Products, Inc. He is a philanthropist, respected entrepreneur and a life member of the Society of American Inventors. Barbara Martin has founded FAME ART - a company endorsing Polish art painters in the United States. She is a co-founder of the Polish American Leadership-Political Action Committee. Ted & Barbara Martin are active members of the Polish American community, supporting the arts, culture and tradition by sponsoring the Paderewski Symphony Orchestra and the Northwest Center of Traditional Polish Dancing - promoting Polish classical music and dancing in the United States.

Since 1922, Polish American Association has helped Polish immigrants realize the American dream. The Polish community is the second largest ethnic group in the greater Chicago area, and Polish American Association is the only agency that specifically serves the needs of the Polish community. More than 11,000 clients are helped each year through 28 programs in the areas of education, employment, immigrant, housing and social services.

We believe in our mission. Funds from the state and city of Chicago for our programs have been substantially reduced or eliminated, making the support of individuals and businesses in the community absolutely critical to the Polish American Association. **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

We are asking you to join our efforts to raise funds for the Polish American Association's Annual Gala, the primary fundraiser for the PAA's mission of providing **Resources for Changing Lives**.

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PAA would like the opportunity to discuss and tailor a sponsorship package to fit your company needs. There are four investment levels which not only help PAA to provide vital services to the community, but also provide your company with a variety of marketing and hospitality benefits. We believe that sponsorship of PAA's 2013 Gala will provide your company with an excellent opportunity for visibility and recognition as a good corporate citizen in Chicago's Polish American community.

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To participate in our work as a sponsor of the 2013 Gala, please complete and return the attached form by September 30, 2013. If you have any questions, please contact Barbara Sobecka, Special Events Associate Director at 773-427-6307 or via e-mail at [barb@polish.org](mailto:barb@polish.org).

Thank you for your consideration of our request. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Gary Kenzer  
Executive Director

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