Dear Potential New PMTA Member:

Thank you for your interest regarding membership in Plano Music Teachers Association (PMTA). I am delighted that you are interested in joining our music organization.

We are very proud of our organization and the ability to offer various music activities throughout the year to teachers and students. These activities include recitals, festivals, theory tests, performance contests, and monthly meetings for teachers. We are a service organization, and for that reason, all of our members work diligently throughout the year as a team, in order to offer these wonderful musical opportunities to our students.

All active members must serve on a committee for at least one PMTA event, including festivals, recitals, Student Affiliate events and programs, and competitions, or serve in a job listed in the "PMTA Chairs" listing in the PMTA yearbook. Active Members are also responsible for monitoring for all PMTA events in which they enter students. Members are encouraged to attend PMTA monthly meetings, PMTA recitals and events, and to attend the TMTA annual convention. Many PMTA members also serve on TMTA committees. Active members age 70 and older are exempt from the requirement to serve on a committee, serve in a job listed in the "PMTA Chairs" listing in the PMTA yearbook, or monitor for PMTA events.

Active Membership is open to all individuals who are professionally engaged in any field of music activity and who are also members of the Texas Music Teachers Association (TMTA) and the Music Teachers National Association (MTNA). Prospective members may visit two General Meetings if they wish. PMTA may ask the new member to fill out a PMTA Membership Form. A letter of professional recommendation is beneficial, but not required. Teachers transferring from another association can follow the steps below by adding Plano MTA to their membership in MTNA.

In order to become a member, new members need to do the following: (returning members skip to #3)

- 1. Complete the MTNA membership application on the MTNA website: www.mtna.org
- 2. Click on "Join MTNA" under the "Join+Renew" menu. Click on "Active Member Learn More" for information, and then click on the "Join Now" button. Complete the MTNA enrollment and pay the national (\$101) and state (\$52) dues.
- 3. Once your MTNA account is set up, log in and add PMTA by clicking on "Add Additional State and Local" button on the left side of your computer screen. Click on Texas and then on Plano MTA. You can then pay the Plano MTA dues (\$35).
- 4. Download a PMTA Membership Form by going to the PMTA website: <u>www.planomusicteachers.org</u> Click on "Join" and then on the Membership Form.
- 5. Email a completed PMTA Membership Form and a profile photo to Biliana Dimitrova, the 1<sup>st</sup> VP for Membership: <u>bilianapianolessons@gmail.com</u>

After all membership dues are paid and the completed Membership Form is received, you will receive information about how to log into the PMTA Members Area (information with your login ID and teacher number). Please feel free to call or email me anytime if you have any questions. I look forward to hearing from you soon!

Sincerely,

Biliana Dimitrova 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President for Membership, PMTA Phone: 214-316-8062 Email: <u>bilianapianolessons@gmail.com</u>