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Dear Friend of the Arts:

We all lost a wonderful opportunity to enhance arts education in C.C.I.S.D. this past Saturday ... by just 20 votes!! It may now be several years before we have art and music in the public schools.

Let's not miss another important opportunity! On November 5th Del Mar College will be placing its \$20 million bond issue before the voters. Funds are needed for renovation and expansion, and to BUILD A THEATRE and a NEW ART BUILDING.

The <u>theatre</u> would make possible an outstanding four year program in drama by creating a strong 2 + 2 program with C.C.S.U.

The <u>art building</u> would move the Del Mar College art program from cramped facilities upstairs in the History Building to a firstrate facility meeting Coordinating Board space standards. It would include an attractive gallery to house local and regional exhibits and the Annual National Drawing and Small Sculpture Show.

It has been over 20 years since Del Mar last asked for community bond support. If <u>EVERYONE</u> who receives this letter does go to the polls, we can make a positive step forward for the Arts in Corpus Christi.

Sincerely,

Merton B. Johnson Chairman of Fine Arts

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