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PTACK TO DEPART PENINSULA MUSIC FESTIVAL AS PRESIDENT & CEO

EPHRAIM, WI - In a joint statement issued September 14th by PMF President & CEO, Christoph Ptack, and Board Chair David Keen, Ptack announced, "I have decided not to seek the renewal of my contract this fall as President and CEO of the Peninsula Music Festival. Influenced by the need to be closer to senior members of my family, this was a difficult but necessary decision. I look forward to resuming my work as a consultant which will provide a greater degree of flexibility in my schedule.

Please know that I remain firmly committed to the shared vision we have for PMF; so, although I will conclude my work at the office on October 28, 2022, I will continue in a consulting-based capacity to ensure the smooth continuation of the Music Director search process and aid in organizational stability while a plan of succession for my position is organized.

I am grateful to the Board of Directors for their passion, I am honored to have been able to contribute positively to PMF's rich history and have immensely enjoyed all that we achieved together in collaboration with our exceptional directors, trustees, musicians, volunteers, staff and so many others. When the time comes, I will complete my tenure with a spirit of appreciation for the wonderful opportunity I have enjoyed, and the support I always felt from the community."

Keen added, "We at PMF feel very fortunate to have had the benefits of Christoph's leadership and experience over the past four very challenging years. Yet through all the challenges, and in the midst of a world-wide pandemic, he lead our efforts to support the musicians of the Festival Orchestra with two \$80k PlayON! campaigns; charted the course for a bright artistic future with the search for our new Music Director; acquired and renovated PMF's new office building; rebranded our marketing and advertising materials including the development of a new website; increased programmatic offerings with the creation of the Recital Series; and was critical to the artistic planning and selection of guest conductors and soloists for what has turned out to be one of our most magical Symphony Series - just a few of the many accomplishments we can all be proud of!

Although Christoph will be leaving Door County and the overall managerial duties at PMF, we are pleased that he will remain an important resource for the organization as we transition to a new Music Director and plan programming for our 71st season, and beyond.

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