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Dear Friends and Patrons,

Reality TV is the hottest entertainment in America. But long before “Survivor” and “America’s Got Talent”, Arena Civic Theatre has been delivering the reality of live theater to Franklin and Hampshire counties—forty-one years of such shows as *The Wizard of Oz*, *Cabaret*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Annie*, and *The Secret Garden* to the drama of *To Kill a Mockingbird*, *The Diary of Anne Frank*, *The Miracle Worker*, *Inherit the Wind*, *Kindertransport*, and *The Music Lesson*.

As we enter our 42nd season, we ask your help in continuing the tradition of the professional excellence that ACT works very hard to achieve. Your presence in that darkened theater completes the essential creative bond between playwright, actor, and audience that makes for the magic of live theater. You breathe life into all we do.

In April 2012 we will proudly present the drama *Radium Girls*—the true story of young American working women who in the face of death took on a corporation and helped to change the lives of millions of working Americans. “The Chicago Stage Review” called *Radium Girls* “A genuine theatrical gift”.

In asking your support we realize the economic difficulties that many face. But if possible, your support is greatly appreciated. For a donation of \$40 or more you will receive two complimentary tickets to *Radium Girls* for any performance (a \$30 value).

The support that you have given us over the years has made us more than just survivors—but an active and vital part of the cultural world of Western Massachusetts.

Thank you,
Robert Freedman
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