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Dear <name/organization>,

Open Font License Invitation Letter

Your <name/fonts/font set> fonts have been well-received and are in wide use by members of the Free/Libre and Open Source Software (FLOSS) community and by many <language/script> speakers around the world.

Because of the excellent quality and value that your fonts provide to the community, and as a representative of the organizations listed at the end of this letter, I would like to invite you to consider re-releasing your fonts under the new Open Font License (OFL).

The Open Font License is a new FLOSS community license created by SIL International. It has been specifically designed for licensing fonts to allow collaborative design and provide clear solutions to issues like embedding, bundling, artistic integrity and the status of derivatives.

The OFL is recognized as free by the Free Software Foundation (FSF). It adheres to the values and guidelines of the FSF and complies with the Debian Free Software Guidelines as well as the Open Source Definition - while retaining elements important to the type design community.

A growing number of fonts are being released under the OFL and the major distributions are happy to include them, often by default.

Moving forward with its recent success, we are conducting a campaign to popularize the use of the OFL all over the world. We believe every script should have a high-quality free implementation on the free desktop and we think you can help to achieve this goal.

You can think about it as the digital equivalent to Gutenberg's "movable type" for this century.

We hope that you will join us by adding <your/your organization's> momentum to the campaign and contribute to greater language coverage and font design quality on the free desktop.

By releasing your work under the OFL, your fonts will be more widely disseminated, and you will also make it easier for others to contribute



to your project and for patches and related smart code to be exchanged with other open font projects.



By supporting this common license you can help make the free desktop truly multilingual with complex rendering for many languages and scripts which were previously left out by restricted fonts. You will also help fulfill a need for higher quality fonts to use on screen and in print.

To learn more about how the OFL can benefit you and your community of users, and the free desktop at large, please visit the following online resources:

- A common website for the campaign at http://www.unifont.org/go_for_ofl
- The OFL website that details the license, its working model and history, a FAQ and lists font families licensed under the OFL at <http://scripts.sil.org/OFL>

If you have any further queries, please feel free to contact me directly by phone, email, or regular mail and I will be happy to answer your questions.

On behalf of the organizations below, I look forward to you joining our efforts to promote the OFL and the excellent value that efforts such as yours bring to the community.

Yours sincerely,

<full name>
<organization>

On behalf of:

FreeDesktop.org - <http://www.freedesktop.org>
SIL International - <http://scripts.sil.org> & <http://www.sil.org>
The Gnome Foundation - <http://www.gnome.org>
KDE e.V. - <http://www.kde.org>
Unifont.org - <http://www.unifont.org>
The Free Standards Group - <http://www.freestandards.org>
The Free Software Foundation - <http://www.fsf.org>

