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Dear Nancy;

I just wanted to let you know how excited we are about Kirby Congdon being nominated to be a Poet Laureate. We had the pleasure of meeting Mr Congdon about 6 years ago when he came into the coffee house during one or our Poetry Slams. At the time, I did not know who he was, but remembered how intense he listened to the slam artist perform, and the smile on his face. He even took the time to s speak with most of the poets at the end and congratulate them on their performance. It was a few weeks later that I realized who he was and that he (Kirby Congdon) had been very involved in performance poetry for a number of years. Over the years he has graciously, given his support and guidance in a way that only Mr Congdon can. He has always been well received during our Poetry reviews and in our minds he already is a Laureate.

Kind Regards,

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