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**SEND A FREE HOLIDAY E-CARD AND HELP FIDELITY INVESTMENTS®
DONATE MORE MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS TO LOCAL SCHOOLS**

*For every holiday e-card sent from the Fidelity FutureStage® website, www.FutureStage.com,
thru December 31, Fidelity will donate \$1
toward the purchase of new instruments for underserved classrooms*

BOSTON, December 19, 2008 – This holiday season, everyone can help donate musical instruments to school music programs in need by simply sending a free electronic holiday greeting card from the *Fidelity FutureStage* website, www.FutureStage.com.

This special instrument donation campaign is part of *Fidelity FutureStage*, a community arts education initiative created by Fidelity Investments to support and strengthen school music programs, and provide young students with opportunities to explore and develop their interests in the arts.

Through the end of the year, visitors to the *Fidelity FutureStage* website, www.FutureStage.com, can send free, personalized holiday e-cards featuring music provided by and distributed on behalf of *Fidelity FutureStage* partners: the Boston Pops, Chicago Symphony Orchestra, Houston Symphony and Los Angeles Philharmonic.

For every electronic card sent, Fidelity will donate \$1 towards the purchase of new instruments for school programs in need. There is no cost to individuals sending the electronic holiday cards from www.FutureStage.com.

“With the holidays just days away, this is a quick and easy way to send greetings to friends, colleagues and loved ones, while supporting young student musicians in underserved school arts programs at the same time,” said Jennifer K. Brown, executive vice president at Fidelity. “Our hope is that 100,000 e-cards are sent from FutureStage.com over the next week, which would mean \$100,000 worth of new instruments being donated to local schools.”

In partnership with some of the country's leading orchestras, including the Boston Pops, Chicago Symphony Orchestra, Houston Symphony and Los Angeles Philharmonic, *Fidelity FutureStage* provides student musicians with new instruments, additional classroom teaching support, field trips to attend symphony rehearsals and concerts, student performance opportunities and the chance to interact and learn from professional artists.

Fidelity FutureStage also works closely with The Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation, a national nonprofit organization dedicated to bringing musical instruments to the most underserved programs. Mr. Holland's Opus evaluates and identifies the needs of schools throughout the country, helps choose programs most in need of *Fidelity FutureStage* donations and then facilitates the purchase and delivery of the new instruments.

About Fidelity FutureStage

Fidelity FutureStage was created in 2006 by Fidelity Investments to support arts education in local communities. The program grew from Fidelity's long-standing commitment to arts and its support of many of the nation's leading symphonies, Broadway productions and community arts organizations. *Fidelity FutureStage* links critical resources to local school music programs to inspire students, enhance their learning experience and celebrate their accomplishments. Since 2006, Fidelity has donated more than \$625,000 worth of instruments to schools around the country. *Fidelity FutureStage* is a registered service mark of FMR LLC. For more information about Fidelity FutureStage, visit www.FutureStage.com.

About Fidelity Investments

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