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Dear Friend:

Three days ago, GuideStar celebrated an important milestone—our 10th birthday. A decade ago, a dedicated group led by Buzz Schmidt gathered in an office in Williamsburg, Virginia, intent on improving the nonprofit sector by making charity information available to the public.

As Chuck McLean, our vice president for research and one of those founding employees, says, "Before GuideStar, giving to charity was like trying to buy stock without a stock exchange." We are proud that we have changed that reality.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has helped us revolutionize philanthropy with information during the past decade:

- The funders who took a chance on this upstart endeavor, who supported us along the way, and who are helping us continue the revolution today.
- The nonprofit organizations that embraced transparency and accountability by updating their GuideStar Reports and encouraging their peers to update as well.

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