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To Our Friends and Community:

For more than two centuries, brave women and men have used their voices, actions, resources, and very bodies to speak out against the horrors of slavery, while seeking to abolish the dehumanization of our fellow sisters and brothers.

As we anticipate the 160th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation that heralded the end of the legal practice of slavery in the United States, the National Women's History Museum is honored to lend its platform and its voice in support of the Emancipation Bells project.

This unique carillon will serve to bridge communities, acknowledge early activists of abolition, bring awareness to the work that remains unresolved today, and lend healing music to the people in appreciation of our shared national history.

The National Women's History Museum asks for friends, supporters, and communities to give generously for the successful completion of this project and looks forward to the day when these bells will ring in celebration of freedom.

It is the Museum's expectant anticipation that the Emancipation Bells will long remind us as a nation that "the bell of freedom cannot be unrung."

Sincerely,

The Board and Staff of the National Women's History Museum