

Speeches/Remarks

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An Evening with Itzhak Perlman Key-Sponsored Fundraiser Benefiting Community Care Network

Good Evening. Welcome to Severance Hall for a very special evening with virtuoso Itzhak Perlman. I'm Lisa Oliver, president of KeyBank's Greater Cleveland District.

What a wonderful way to close a Monday, huh!? Let's face it, if there's one day in the week where you're out of tune, it's typically a Monday.

Tonight, we not only get to end it in tune, but in the presence of one of the world's most extraordinary musicians.

It's absolutely amazing how the music of a single instrument can move so many of us in so many different ways. Certainly in this case, it's more than the violin, it's the man and the personal charm and humanity Mr. Perlman brings to his music. Ultimately, that's moves us all.

(Pause)

From a virtuoso in the art of music and feeling, to a virtuoso in the art of healing.

Tonight's performance, which all of us at Key are extremely proud to sponsor, is presented by -- and benefits -- local nonprofit, Community Care Network -- an institution in the Northeastern Ohio community in the art of healing troubled hearts and minds.

So, from strings to heart strings and on behalf of our entire family at Key, thank you for being here tonight. Proceeds from this evening support the tremendous difference Community Care Network continues to make across our community in helping troubled individuals and families find peace. Their tireless work is music to our ears and keeps us all moving.

With more about that, please join me in welcoming David Lundee, executive director of Community Care Network.