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SMART OFFICE SYSTEMS FURNISHES NEW LANSING SYMPHONY OFFICES

February 5, 2009 - Lansing, MI – The Lansing Symphony Orchestra would like to recognize Smart Office Systems (SOS), a nationally recognized leader in new, remanufactured and used office furniture provider, for its contribution of more than \$64,000 worth of furnishings for the Lansing Symphony Orchestra’s new administrative offices.

The LSO offices recently moved from the Michigan Dental Association (MDA) building at 230 N. Washington Square to the NuUnion Credit Union building at 501 S. Capitol Avenue, after over three decades in the MDA building. On January 7th the LSO welcomed Board members, volunteers and the business community to their newly furnished space.

“We are pleased to be able to help our local community by doing what we do best – office furniture,” said SOS President Paul Covert. “The Lansing Symphony is a key component to the vibrancy and culture of our community, and we are proud to be in a position to support them.”

In recognition of their gift, the Lansing Symphony Orchestra has named SOS as the title sponsor of Timothy Muffitt’s Music Director Chair, underwriting the position for the remainder of the 2008/2009 season, as well as the 2009/2010 and 2010/2011 seasons.

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“The Lansing Symphony is thrilled to have the support of Smart Office Systems,” said LSO Executive Director David Gross. “Thanks to their generosity, the LSO offices are now a reflection of the beautiful music we produce. We are extremely grateful to Paul Covert and SOS for continuing their tradition of community support for Lansing’s cultural institutions.”

The Lansing Symphony Orchestra was established in 1929. More than 20,000 people attend LSO concerts each year, and more than 50,000 listeners are able to hear broadcasts of the Orchestra’s concerts by NPR affiliate WKAR-FM Radio. The Symphony’s highly acclaimed education programs reach 15,000 students in kindergarten through 12th grade in five counties. Learn more about the Lansing Symphony Orchestra at www.LansingSymphony.org.

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