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**Berlin City Hall**

**168 Main Street**

**Berlin, NH 03570**

*Dear Ms. Fortin,*

*I would like to request permission from the appropriate city officials for the use of the Bridge Street pedestrian bridge to host our "Dinner on the Bridge" fundraising event. Due to the pandemic, 2020's event didn't make it to the planning stages. People who have previously attended and people who haven't yet participated are asking if we will be hosting in 2021!*

*We are planning for Sunday, September 12th. We will need a block of time to set everything up, serve dinner and clean-up. I realize that closing the bridge for the entire time would make things difficult for those who depend on that path for multiple purposes. In years past, we posted signs on the bridge in advance of the dinner indicating that it would be closed to all public pedestrian traffic during the actual dinner block. We were actually on bridge from 8:30 am until about 3:00 pm and foot traffic didn't seem to be much of an issue.*

*Thank you for your consideration of this request. I look forward to hearing from you and setting the plan in motion.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*

**Monique Lavertu, Executive Director**

*"The arts are the best insurance policy a city can take on itself."*

*-Woody Dumas, former Mayor of Baton Rouge*