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Dear Mr Tommasini,

Thank you for your letter of 18 January 2013 seeking the patronage of the European Parliament for the "Contemporary Resistance Festival" that will be held from 25 April to 1 May 2013 in Bolzano.

To celebrate the 20th anniversary of European Union citizenship, this year has been designated the "*European Year of Citizens*". Many activities all over Europe will focus on the need to strengthen European citizenship and to empower citizens by informing them of their rights and of the choices they have regarding their personal lives, their communities and democratic life at all levels. Your efforts to highlight the European Year of Citizens are very much appreciated.

It is therefore with great pleasure that I grant the European Parliament's high patronage<sup>1</sup> to this year's "Contemporary Resistance Festival". Although it is not possible for me to join you in Bolzano, I hope you will accept my best wishes for the event.

Yours sincerely,

**Martin Schulz**

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