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From the Editor's Desk

Once again I wish to extend a warm welcome to each of you.

The first half of 1999 has been an exciting time for JBS, with steadily increasing growth and a most successful first conference (see the reports in this issue). As we move into the latter half of 1999, the Board of Directors and the Advisory Committee will be initiating a number of key activities: conference planning for 2000, the initiation of planning for JBS educational programs and scholarships, budgeting, etc. Look for a progress update in the 4Q99 issue.

Even more exciting is the news that Hovsångerska Elisabeth Söderström has agreed to serve on our Honorary Advisory Committee. Mrs. Söderström-Olow's eloquent letter of acceptance was delivered by Advisor Barbro Ehnbohm during our June 5th conference session. The text of her letter follows:

Lidingö 1999 – 05 – 29

To: The President of the Jussi Björling Society