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*dream* HOME  
THE DESIGN HOUSE AT THE MERCHANDISE MART™

Suite 470, The Merchandise Mart  
Chicago, IL 60654

January 27, 2006

Scott Kurinsky  
Bear Construction  
1501 Rohlwing Rd.  
Rolling Meadows, IL 60008

Dear Scott:

As The Merchandise Mart's first DreamHome comes to an end, we wanted to thank you once again for your important part in making this project a success.

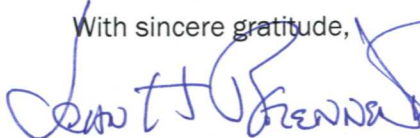
With over 20,000 visitors, an amazing preview party with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and significant coverage in major Chicago publications such as the Chicago Tribune, Chicago Sun Times, Pioneer Press and Chicago Social magazine, the visibility of DreamHome, our sponsors, showrooms and manufacturers was enormous.

We hope that you are as proud as we are of the amazing accomplishment of bringing together three construction teams, nine design firms and over fifty manufacturers to build—in less than four weeks—a true representation of Chicago's high-end talent and construction resources.

The DreamHome designers have had the best compliments about your team and repeatedly commented about the ease and quality of the construction process. They recently glowed about you during a seminar to about 100 design professionals that took place here at The Merchandise Mart.

We at Merchandise Mart Properties share their sentiments and look forward to working with you again in the future. Please accept the enclosed as a small token of our appreciation and memento of what your team helped to create in DreamHome.

With sincere gratitude,

  
John H. Brennen III

  
Lloyd Davidson

  
Jeanne Fisher

  
Rita DelSignore

  
Ryan Grommes

  
Glenn Charles