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Mr. Dieter Oehms OehmsClassics Musikproduktion GmbH Dantestraße 29 D-80637 Munich **GERMANY**

Dear Mr. Oehms,

It gives me great pleasure to announce to you that the Bruckner Society of America's Board of Directors has selected the recording of Bruckner's Seventh Symphony by Hamburg Philharmonic conducted by Simone Young, released by Oehms Classics, as the best audio Bruckner recording of the past year.

We salute Maestra Young's interpretation, which is clear-sighted, intelligent, and highly musical. The orchestral performance is very fine, too. All in all, we find this to be a recording of high quality and a valuable addition to the discography.

Furthermore, this award recognizes the tremendous accomplishment that this recording represents as the completion of Maestra Young's complete cycle of the eleven Bruckner Symphonies, including the early Symphonies in D-minor and Fminor. This series of recordings—the first Bruckner cycle led by a female conductor, no less— is a tremendous contribution, which is of value to all lovers of Bruckner's music.

We will be announcing this recognition on our website in the next few days and we are sending similar letters to Naxos Records in order that they can coordinate any publicity with you.

The Bruckner Society of America has been in existence since 1931 and its primary purpose is to foster a better understanding and appreciation of the life and music of Anton Bruckner. We can see no better way to do this than to lead people to extraordinary performances that have been preserved through recordings.

We can provide BSA logos if you can use them. I can e-mail them to you.

Once again, our congratulations for this fine recording!

Sincerely, Benjamín M. Korstvedt

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