(Background: I played with George Mason's "Green Machine" pep band last semester during my co-op to stay well-practiced. I'm still in the listery, so it's time I thank them for hosting me and ask to be removed from the listsery.)

Subject line: Green Machine | Thanks for Having Me!

Jeremy,

It is hard to believe that we are already a month into the spring semester. As I finish my transition back into the regular student life at Virginia Tech, I would like to thank you one more time for letting me play with the Green Machine. The raw spirit and uncanny love for performance portrayed by this band utterly blew me away. You and Doc Nix have something special, and I hope the university continues to recognize that.

Keeping up my chops last semester was an invaluable experience for me. I made many friends, improved my technique, and I am happy to report that I secured a spot as first chair in my university campus band thanks to the challenging music I played with you.

Thinking back to last basketball season yields a few unfinished housekeeping items to complete. I purchased both a jersey and t-shirt, but left before I was able to pick them up. Is there any chance I could get them mailed to me or have Scott Loudin pick them up on my behalf?

Finally, I suppose it is time I ask to be removed from the Green Machine listserv. As much as I like hearing what is new with the band, I am no longer in need of the updates. Is there any online process I need to conduct to get removed?

Thanks again for everything; you and your band were the highlight of my co-op experience. If you need any additional information about my shirt situation, please let me know.

Respectfully,

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COMMENTS:

- Of course you know better than I do about what you did at your co-op, but what do you mean you played with the green machine? Perform with?
- "Keeping up my chops" I haven't heard this before, but I like it

• Really good