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Reuben Hoch
C/O RH Factor Music
7588 Stockton Terrace
Boca Raton, FL 33433

Re: The Chassidic Jazz Project

Dear Mr. Hoch:

I wanted to let you know how much I am thoroughly enjoying your CD, Reuben Hoch and The Chassidic Jazz Project, Live at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts.

There are many wonderful moments on the CD, but the performance of Bilvavi stands out among them. I had a great time playing that cut for my daughter who plays the drums and has been taking voice lessons for the past year or so. She loves to sing all of these tunes and Bilvavi has special significance as we used a quote from it on her Bat Mitzvah invitations 5 years ago and the melody is one of her favorites. I could tell she was curious where this tune was going from the introduction to your magnificent drum solo and then, as the rhythms build and the melody jumps out and grabs you, I saw her face light up. The piece as a whole is simply masterful.

Thank you for sharing your vision and talents with the world. Happy Purim and I hope your Pesach will be a Chag Kosher V'Sameach.

Sincerely,



Lawrence D. Mandel