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Dear Friend(s) of Raivaaja:

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As most all of you know, we at the Raivaaja Foundation have begun a massive project to digitize the entire collection of 104 years of archived print copies of the former Raivaaja newspaper. Already, with the support of people like you, **we have been able to digitize approximately 33000 pages of the newspaper** and place some onto the Internet via the Raivaaja website. We are doing this to make the information contained in these old newspapers freely and readily available to any and all persons interested in Finnish-American history and culture.

In addition to the local, national, and international news items of the years from 1905 to 2009, all the photographs that appeared in the print editions will be able to be seen and studied. Some will have general historical interest while others may have a more personal significance if they portray family members or friends from years ago.

This project is a huge and expensive undertaking. **The 33,000+ pages (1957-2009) digitized to date** are only a fraction of the total amount to be done. The work is being divided into phases, so that the project can proceed as sufficient funding becomes available.

Already, due to the support of friends like you, we have been able to demonstrate to funding organizations like the national Finlandia Foundation that private individuals regard this as a worthwhile undertaking. Finlandia Foundation recently awarded us a grant that enabled us to convert almost 10,000 pages.

We ask that you please consider donating to Raivaaja Foundation so that this important work can continue.

Kiitos. Thank you.

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