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Dear Gary,

Thank you for the very flattering letter. I do remember you.

For years I tried to get the drum companies I was with to make a bracket similar to the one you invented. My idea was a circle with strong springs to the drum so that the drum was suspended and not anchored.

I'm glad to see someone has done it. I know that it does improve the sound. More power to you!

If I can be of help let me know.

I've been busy with recording +
concerts + travel. I'm playing
honors now + they are very
good.

What you have to do is
reeducate all the young drummers
not to deaden their drums.
Drums like any other musical
instrument should ring. Also
we have to reeducate all
the recording engineers.

My best to you and R.I.M.S.
Keep up the good work and thanks
again for the letter. It was
appreciated -

Sincerely
Les Horne