



THE CITY OF NEW YORK
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
NEW YORK, NY 10007

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Dear Friends:

It gives me great pleasure to welcome everyone to VNS Health's 2023 Benefit: Empowering Our Neighbors in Need.

Our health care institutions are the beating heart of the five boroughs, and for 130 years, VNS Health, formerly Visiting Nurse Service of New York, has bolstered this vital system. Guided by its core values of agility, empathy and integrity, this organization has provided compassionate and patient-centered treatment that addresses the holistic needs of all those it serves, from emotional support and mental health services to rehabilitation and primary care. In particular, its home health care has helped transform our city's wellness infrastructure. By providing medical care to people in their homes—near their loved ones and in their neighborhoods—this group has boosted patients' spirits and allowed them to push forward through the difficult, sometimes scary, aspects of their healing journey in a safe and supportive environment. Today's event raises funds for this crucial community work, and on this occasion, I applaud tonight's honorees, VNS, and all those involved for their efforts to empower New Yorkers and illuminate the way forward.

On behalf of 8.3 million New Yorkers, please accept my best wishes for a joyous and successful event.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric Adams".

Eric Adams
Mayor