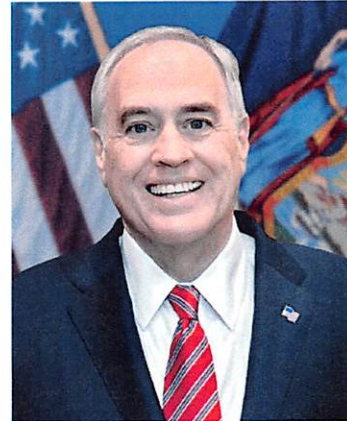




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Dear Friends:

Greetings to all those gathered this evening for the 2026 Benefit Gala hosted by VNS Health. Since 1893, VNS Health has delivered high-quality, cost-effective health care to the most vulnerable New Yorkers.

Congratulations are due to this year's recipient of the *Lillian D. Wald Award*: **Dr. Richard Park**, CEO and Co-Founder, Rendr, and Managing Partner and Co-Founder, Ascend Partners. His leadership, service and accomplishments are truly worthy of your recognition.

Founded by nurse Lillian D. Wald to address the poverty, disease and despair she saw in Manhattan's Lower East Side in the late 19th century, VNS Health has grown from a group of a few nurses to become New York's largest nonprofit home and community-based health care group. With a team of over 11,000 employees, serving more than 150,000 patients in 2025, VNS Health has been an important asset to the community, helping individuals heal and stay in their homes by offering medical interventions, education, social programs and financial assistance. The theme of this year's gala is "Care That Connects Us," raising funds to help the group continue its mission of serving New Yorkers in need. The dedicated officers, board, staff, medical professionals and supporters of VNS Health are honoring cherished traditions and helping to build a healthier society for New Yorkers.

Best wishes for a joyful celebration and continued success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Tom DiNapoli".

Thomas P. DiNapoli
State Comptroller