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Dear Friends,

It is my distinct pleasure to extend my warmest greetings to the many generous supporters of VNS Health as they celebrate their 2026 Benefit, "Care That Connects Us."

As Borough President, I take a great deal of pride in recognizing organizations that care for the health of Staten Islanders. Since its founding in 1893 by Lillian D. Wald, VNS Health has provided a safety net for New York's most vulnerable population, following the core values of empathy, integrity, and agility.

The skilled and compassionate care provided by the staff of VNS Health has allowed countless Staten Islanders to remain safe and healthy in their homes and gives them the opportunity to stay connected to their families, friends, and neighbors.

I also wish to congratulate Dr. Richard Park, CEO and co-founder of Rendr, and managing partner and co-founder of Ascend Partners, as the recipient of the distinguished Lillian D. Wald Award for his significant contributions to the health and welfare of the individuals served by VNS Health.

Very truly yours,

Vito J. Fossella
Staten Island Borough President