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I extend an invitation to you to join us in recognizing Children's Friendship Award honorees, The Honorable Scott Avedisian, Mayor, City of Warwick and CharterCare Foundation by sponsoring this very worthwhile event to be held on April 6, 2017 in the Rotunda at Café Nuovo. The Children's Friendship Award is presented to an individual or company that has displayed unending dedication to the well being of children. The recipient has demonstrated kind acts of philanthropy and/or volunteerism to advance the mission of St. Mary's Home for Children. The event is also being held during the month of April to acknowledge National Child Abuse Prevention Month.

St. Mary's Home for Children has been serving children and families since 1877. The agency continues to evolve to meet the complex and changing needs of our clients by developing innovative programs and services, utilizing evidence-based and promising practices in our service delivery and ensuring that our trauma-informed philosophy is embedded in all that we do. Those we serve have experienced traumatic events and other significant challenges. St. Mary's provides our clients with a helping hand, an opportunity to heal and the strength to recognize their potential.

Please consider helping by being a sponsor of the event. With your participation, we are confident this event will raise much needed funds to provide children with the specialized help they so desperately need. I have attached information about sponsorship opportunities for your review. Please do not hesitate to contact one of us or Susan DeRita, Development Officer at St. Mary's Home for Children sderita@smhfc.org, 353-3900 x262 should you have additional questions.

Very truly yours,

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