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I am honored to welcome you to New York Medical College's premier Founder's Dinner virtual event. Thank you for your generous support this evening and your steadfast dedication to our students. It is through your support that we maintain the ability to continue to educate all of them to become the future generation of health care professionals.

2020 has become an unprecedented year with Covid-19, significantly affecting the way we live, work and educate. It has been especially challenging for our students who had to abruptly transition to a virtual online platform to complete their semester. Despite these significant challenges, NYMC stepped up and prepared our efforts to provide over 1,600 students with a near seamless transition from in-person centered classes to on-line remote education.

In addition, we organized volunteer opportunities to help those on the front lines treating Covid Patients. More than 100 students from the NYMC School of Medicine graduated early to provide much-needed medical support to the over-taxed hospitals facing this crisis. We also graduated the first class of dental students from the Touro School of Dental Medicine. Despite the challenges regarding education during the pandemic, we found our resolve to do more was heightened during this critical time as we learned how best to adapt and provide our students with the resources needed to successfully complete their medical education. Tonight, we celebrate NYMC's rich history and promising future with a virtual event that is focused on leadership, education and inspiration. We will highlight the college's response to the current global crisis, honor our students and graduates, as well as the region's front-line heroes. We celebrate esteemed Alumnus and Chairman Emeritus of Radiology at University of California San Francisco, Ronald L. Arenson,

M.D.; U.S. House Representative Nita M. Lowey; New Rochelle Mayor Noam Bramson; Principal Deputy Director of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Lawrence A. Tabak, D.D.S., Ph.D.; White Plains Hospital Assistant Administrative Director of Laboratories Tiffany Chaner; and Yankees Hall of Famer Mariano Rivera and wife, Clara Rivera. We want to especially thank our sponsors this year who have been so generous to us with their leadership and support. We want to thank our new chairman, Joseph D. Mark, and all the members of the Board of Trustees; Dr. Joseph Giamelli, chair and all the members of the Board of Governors; and Dr. Martin Katzenstein, chair and all the members of the Board of Advisors for their unwavering support and guidance.

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The Covid-19 pandemic has transformed the New York Medical College annual Founder's Dinner into a virtual celebration of leadership, education and inspiration; highlighting the college's response to the global crisis, honoring its renowned faculty, students, graduates worldwide, the region's public health care commissioners and front-line caregivers and local and national leaders in a unique presentation, featuring:

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Narrated by Mary Calvi, 10-time Emmy Award-winning journalist, co-anchor of "CBS2 This Morning" and "CBS2 At Noon" at WCBS-TV; and Peter Katz, senior editor, Westfair Communications.

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NEW YORK MEDICAL COLLEGE: PAST AND FUTURE

Most people nowadays think that medical schools were part of the dark ages prior to the 1910 report of Abraham Flexner on behalf of The Carnegie Foundation regarding medical education in the United States and Canada.

People will talk about how, prior to Flexner, medical education was about grave-robbing for gross anatomy class, leeches, bleeding of patients, inducing diarrhea and vomiting and a mixture of superstition, quackery and charlatanism. Among the favorite cliches of medical historians is the assertion, attributed to a Harvard biochemistry professor, that for the entire history of the world it was not until 1912 that the average person with an average illness who went to see an average quality doctor in the Western World stood better than a 50-50 chance of benefiting from the encounter.

There were, however, some bright spots in this dark age of medical education. In a very young United States, in the first half of the 19th century, there were people who deeply believed that when the U.S. Constitution began with “We the people of the United States...,” the words actually meant all the people. These Americans thought that everyone was equal in the eyes of God, including women, enslaved and free blacks and people of all religions. For people of this mindset social war needed to be waged on the great enslavers of humankind: alcoholism, chattel slavery and sexism. Thus, they were generally abolitionists, proponents of temperance and supported women’s suffrage. Among the people who shared many of these views was the enormously influential editor in chief of The New York Evening Post William Cullen Bryant. Bryant thundered in his editorial pages in favor of freeing the slaves, granting the newly freed slaves full voting

rights, granting women the right to vote and allowing workers to form trade unions in order to defend their rights by collectively bargaining with management. In 1860, he launched the New York Homeopathic Medical College, which over the next 75 years would come to be known as the New York Medical College, Flower and Fifth Avenue Hospitals and finally, in the modern era, New York Medical College (NYMC).

Historians don’t usually like to argue about primacy – who was the first person or organization to do something. Usually, no matter who or what you assert “was the first” to do so something, someone else is going to offer a competing candidate. Let’s just say, therefore, that NYMC has a very long list of, if not “the first,” of solid claims on being among the first to:

- Admit women to medical school (1863);
- Graduate Canada’s first female physician (1867);
- Graduate a black female physician in New York (1870);
- Establish a teaching relationship with a public hospital, Metropolitan Hospital Medical Center, which has turned into the longest such relationship in American history (1875);
- Graduate a black man from a white majority medical school (1888);
- Appoint a Jew as dean of a mainstream allopathic medical school (1921);
- Award scholarships solely designated for black medical students (1928);
- Have a majority of medical students self-identified as Jews at the height of American anti-Semitic admission quotas (1933);
- Graduate the first woman to

perform open heart surgery who became the second black woman to be elected to the American College of Surgeons (1933);

- Graduate one of America's first female physicians to publish widely read popular books about human sexuality (1959);
- Appoint a black woman as a dean of a white majority allopathic medical school (1967);
- Propose the use of a donor influenza virus, which was highly adapted to growth in chicken eggs to provide the genetic information for growth for human influenza viruses as vaccine candidates (1969); and
- Have an emeritus faculty member win the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine for his work in parasitology (2015).

The college can look back on its history with pride. We look to the future with optimism irrespective of the contemporary challenges produced by the pandemic. We have recently helped establish the first new dental school in the state of New York in over 50 years and graduated our first class. Our scientists are making important contributions to our understanding of hypertension, endothelial biology, head trauma, the basic science of the causes of cancer, Lyme disease, inflammation, bone marrow transplantation for childhood malignancies and sickle cell anemia and increasing access to mammography for medically underserved Americans. Over the past 160 years we have evolved from an institution, which solely granted the MD degree to one with five schools on our Valhalla campus.

- The School of Medicine (MD, MS in biomedical ethics);
- The School of Health Sciences and Practice (master and doctor of public health, doctor of physical therapy, MS in speech language pathology, MS in biostatistics);
- The Graduate School of Basic Medical Sciences (nine different MS degrees in basic biomedical sciences programs, MS in clinical laboratory sciences, Ph.D. programs in biochemistry and molecular biology, cell biology, microbiology and immunology, pathology, pharmacology and physiology);
- The Touro College of Dental Medicine at

New York Medical College (DDS); and

- The Touro College of Nursing at New York Medical College (BSN).

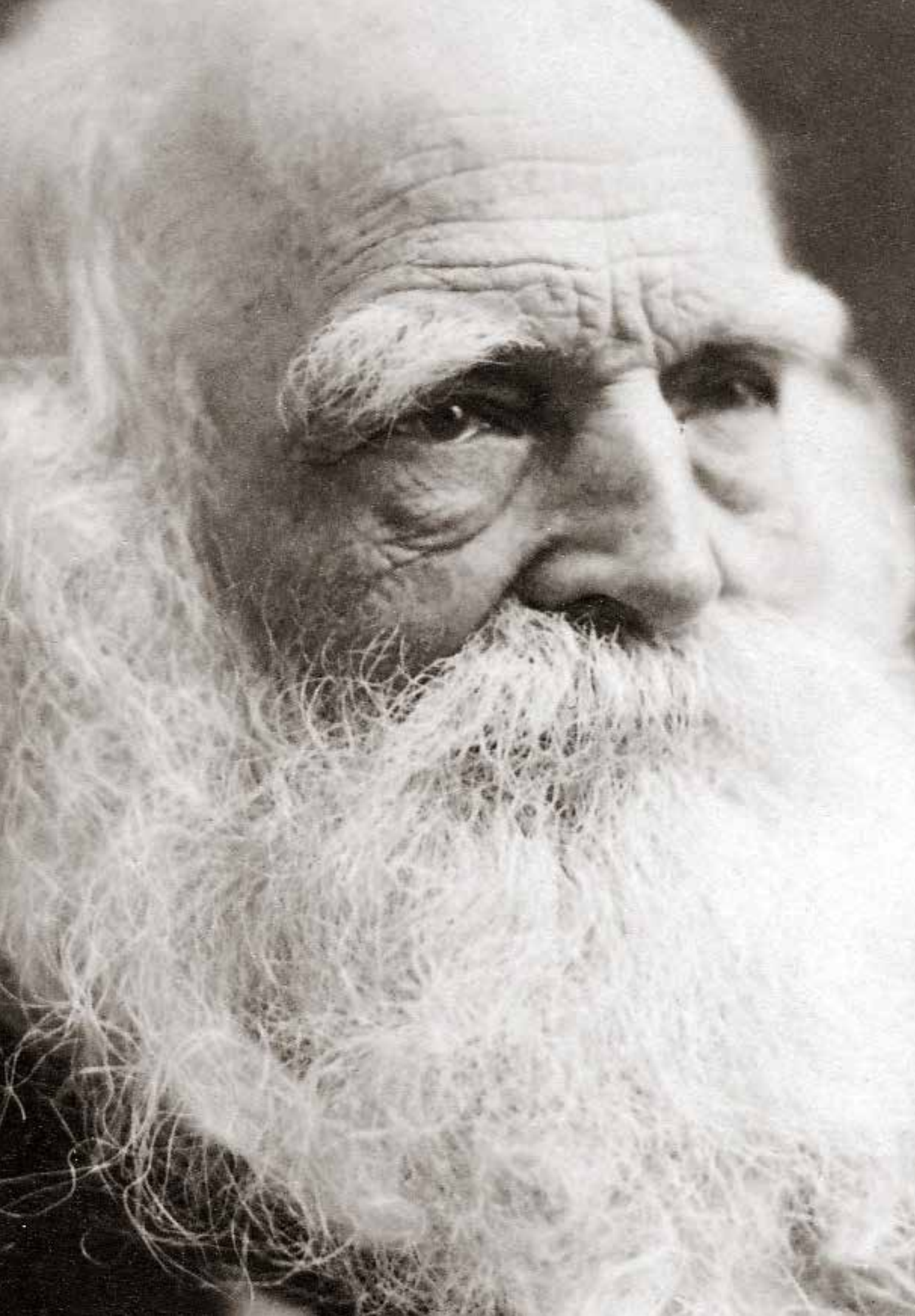
We have done all of this while being true to our history of serving as a bastion against bigotry in health science education. Our school of medicine, for example, continues to have among the highest percentage of under-represented minority students in medicine of any historically majority school in the nation. We work proudly with our partner hospitals to educate the next generation of health care providers. These partners include Westchester Medical Center, Maria Fareri Children's Hospital, Good Samaritan Hospital, Mid-Hudson Regional Medical Center, Metropolitan Hospital Medical Center, Lincoln Hospital, the Castle Point/Montrose VA Medical Center, the Bronx VA Medical Center, the Beckley VA Medical Center, Wyckoff Heights Medical Center, St. Michael's Hospital of Newark, Hoboken University Medical Center, Greenwich Hospital, Lenox Hill Hospital, Bronx Lebanon Medical Center, Richmond University Medical Center, Phelps Memorial Hospital Center, Refuah Medical Center, Calvary Hospital and Terrence Cardinal Cooke Medical Center. We also educate students at our ambulatory clinical partners, including Caremount Medical, Westmed Medical, Open Door Family Medical Center and the Westchester Institute for Human Development. Our graduate medical and dental education programs and our continuing medical education programs meet the highest standards of accreditation and are educating a cadre of medical and dental specialists. In the time of this pandemic we are particularly proud of the large number of county public health commissioners who are either graduates of NYMC and/or serve on our faculty.

We have an honorable past, an exciting present and we look forward to the future with confidence.

**GREAT THINGS HAVE HAPPENED AT NYMC.
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*By Edward C. Halperin, M.D., M.A.
Chancellor and CEO*

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WILLIAM CULLEN BRYANT

William Cullen Bryant was the dean of American letters at the young nation's dawn, a writer admired by Edgar Allan Poe who mentored Walt Whitman and inspired the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. to quote him in his speech "Give us the ballot: Truth crushed to earth will rise again."

He was a mover and shaker about New York City, the co-owner and editor in chief of the influential New-York Evening Post (now simply the New York Post), who helped drive the creation of Central Park and The Metropolitan Museum of Art, and whose political shift — from conservative to progressive — followed a trajectory that many American lives have taken. He was a legend whose name is now attached to everything from the park behind the New York Public Library to schools in Long Island City, Milwaukee and Cleveland; a house at Williams College, which he attended briefly; one of the original villages of Columbia, Maryland; and a neighborhood in Seattle. William Cullen Bryant (1794-1878) possessed a name that is remembered by all those familiar with New York Medical College. As leader of the civic group that created the college, now located in Valhalla, Bryant was interested not only in the quality of New York City's hospitals, but in an enlightened medical education that would transcend purges, bleedings and high doses of drugs. He is also best-known today as an editor and writer of poetry and prose who befriended the Hudson River School of 19th century landscape painting that portrayed the Americas, and the United States in particular, as the new Eden in the decades that bracketed the Civil

War. Bryant was born and raised in Cummington, Massachusetts, the son of Peter Bryant, a doctor turned state legislator and his wife, the former Sarah Snell, who traced her ancestry to Mayflower passengers John Alden and Priscilla Mullins. Despite his distinguished pedigree and early promise as a poet, Bryant did not come from a wealthy family and he was forced to take up the law as a viable career, particularly once he married Frances Fairchild and moved to Great Barrington, Massachusetts. The law, however, proved not to his liking and he gave it up in 1825 for the life of a journalist in New York, where he quickly advanced at the Post, founded by Alexander Hamilton. Bryant was an early proponent of conservative, Hamiltonian Federalism. But that too went by the wayside for a more progressive politics in editorials that supported immigrants, religious minorities and workers. (As an elector in the 1860 presidential election, Bryant voted for Abraham Lincoln.) It is on his writings that Bryant's reputation ultimately rests. Author Mary Mapes Dodge said of Bryant, "You will admire more and more, as you grow older, the noble poems of this great and good man."

By Georgette Gouveia
WAG magazine editor in chief

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ALAN KADISH

Alan Kadish, M.D. is president of the Touro College and University System (TCUS), the largest Jewish-sponsored educational institution in the United States with 19,000 students across 32 schools in five countries.

A prominent cardiologist, dedicated teacher, prolific researcher and experienced administrator, he has published more than 250 peer-reviewed papers, received numerous grants and contributed to several textbooks. A graduate of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Kadish received postdoctoral training at the Brigham and Women's Hospital and at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. Previously, he taught at the University of Michigan and held a 19-year tenure at Northwestern University where he served as an administrator. As TCUS president, Kadish has continued to shape Touro into a top-tier institution by prioritizing the expansion of Touro's diverse academic offerings. Ranging from liberal arts to law, health sciences to technology, business, Jewish studies, education and more. Kadish joined Touro College in 2009 shortly before the passing of Dr. Bernard Lander, the university's founder and president since 1970. Though hired at Touro initially to be senior provost with the understanding that he would succeed Lander as president, Kadish had only been at Touro for a few months when Lander passed away, catapulting Kadish into the role in 2010. He said

at the time, "Touro has become an important school for the study of health sciences" and he wanted to use his experience in medicine to propel Touro's geographically distinct medical programs to leadership roles in American medicine. Touro operates, in addition to NYMC, two colleges of pharmacy, three colleges of osteopathic medicine, a dental school and several graduate schools and colleges in health sciences in states, including California, Nevada and New York. With such a wide variety of responsibilities as a college president, does he miss practicing medicine? Kadish says, "I'm too busy to miss it."

**Excerpted from The Jewish Link, September 2016.*

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EDWARD C. HALPERIN

Edward C. Halperin, M.D., M.A., chancellor and CEO of New York Medical College and provost for biomedical affairs of the Touro College and University System, is a pediatric radiation oncologist, medical historian and health sciences educator.

Halperin has supervised a major expansion of NYMC's footprint with the development of new academic buildings on the main campus, construction and opening of campus housing at an affiliate hospital, and construction of a biotechnology incubator, disaster medicine training center and clinical skills center. Fundraising has risen, the research program has expanded and in recent years the percentage of under-represented minority students in medicine rose to the highest percentage in the U.S. for a historically white-majority M.D. program and rose 25 percent in the graduate programs. Under his leadership the college launched new academic programs, including New York state's first new dental school in half a century, M.S. in biostatistics, a professional M.S. for the biotechnology industry, M.S. in biomedical ethics, a B.S. in nursing, a certificate in pediatric dysphasia, and a M.S. in clinical laboratory sciences. Prior to joining NYMC in 2012, Halperin served as dean of the School of Medicine, Ford Foundation professor of medical education and professor of radiation oncology, pediatrics and history at the University of Louisville, and in 2011 took on the additional position of university vice provost. He was also on

the faculty at Duke University for 23 years, serving as professor and chairman of the Department of Radiation Oncology, vice dean of the School of Medicine and associate vice chancellor. He received a B.S. in economics, summa cum laude, from The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania; his M.D., cum laude, from Yale University; an M.A. from Duke University; and completed his internship in internal medicine at Stanford University; and his residency and chief residency at Harvard Medical School/Massachusetts General Hospital. He is the co-author and editor of the first through sixth editions of Pediatric Radiation Oncology, the fourth through seventh editions of Principles and Practice of Radiation Oncology and more than 220 articles in the peer-reviewed scientific, historical, education and ethics literature. Halperin teaches graduate level history and oncology classes and practices medicine at NYC Health + Hospitals/Metropolitan Hospital Medical Center in Harlem, and Westchester Medical Center in Valhalla. He and his wife, Sharon, are the parents of three daughters and the grandparents of four grandchildren.

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Congratulations and sincere best wishes to all our honorees

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REMEMBERING THEIR FRIEND:

ALAN KADISH, M.D.

"We have lost more than the crown of our head. Dr. Hasten was like a brother to Touro founder, Dr. Bernard Lander and he was my mentor and father. He spoke to our students often of the four Ps necessary for success – patience, persistence, positivity and perseverance and he exemplified all those traits. His perseverance to accomplish goals in his personal and professional life came along with a certain toughness. He led an amazing life and his brand of toughness enabled him to get important things done.... He brought perseverance and toughness to his role at Touro and led us through a tremendous period of growth. His toughness was always tempered with kindness, humility and a collaborative spirit. He was a leader in business, government and education and always remained approachable, humble, warm and engaging."

RABBI MOSHE KRUPKA

"Mark Hasten is a hero for the Jewish people, the state of Israel and higher education. He is the hero of people of good faith who wish to achieve on behalf of others. Touro exists to prepare our students to set and achieve goals, and then keep striving in their lives to be successful in their career and personal lives. Dr. Hasten saw what he created at Touro as incredible vengeance against Hitler and the anti-Semites he encountered early on in his life. He led Touro with tenacity and a force of personality that was unmatched."

IN MEMORY OF

DR. MARK HASTEN

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DR. MARK HASTEN

Dr. Mark Hasten was a visionary leader and ardent supporter of Touro College University System. An engineer as well as an entrepreneur in myriad businesses, including banking, real estate and health care, Dr. Hasten long focused his philanthropic interests on education.

Chairman during Touro's most significant period of growth, he helped Touro launch its western divisions in California and Nevada and was a major contributor to the establishment of Touro's Lander College for Women – The Anna Ruth and Mark Hasten School in Manhattan. During his 25-year tenure as chairman of the Board, Touro's student body doubled in size – from 9,000 to more than 18,000 students. Touro became one of the leading and largest health care educators in the U.S. and its university system grew to 34 campuses and locations, mostly in New York but also in California, Nevada, Moscow, Israel and Berlin.

Hasten was born in Bohorodczany, Poland, in 1927. He and his family survived WWII in Kazakhstan, where he entered the military, fought with the Polish Brigade of the Red Army against the Nazis on the Eastern Front and participated in the liberation of the Majdanek Concentration Camp in Poland. Hasten joined the Israel Defense Forces in 1948 and participated for two years in Israel's War of Independence.

In 1952, Dr. Hasten married Anna Ruth Robinson and they emigrated to the United States in 1953. He enrolled at Southern Methodist University in Dallas and in 1959, even though his education was cut short at age 12 because of the war, earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering. He spent nine years working for General Mills in Minneapolis; first in research, then as chief design engineer for corporate engineering. While there, Dr. Hasten invented and designed the products and machines that produced the bendable straw, Cheerios,

Pringles and Bugles. In 1967, he joined his younger brother's health care business in Indianapolis, Indiana. As the business grew, Dr. Hasten and his brother, Hart, worked closely with banks to raise capital and eventually financed their projects themselves and acquired a total of 36 banks under the First National Bank and Trust name. They divested their bank holdings in 2007. The brothers worked together for 40 years and were partners in both business and community service. They created a Jewish day school in Indianapolis – The Hasten Hebrew Academy, which began with 13 children and now numbers more than 150.

Always passionate about education and especially interested in higher education that offered a Jewish environment, Hasten joined the board of Touro College in 1977 and became chairman in 1995. He and Touro founder, Dr. Bernard Lander, were extremely close, sharing a vision for building from the ground up. "My father had that wonderful blend of being a visionary and a person with the courage to pursue their goals," said Rabbi Michael Hasten, a noted educator. "He really envisioned how Touro could be an all-encompassing dominant force in many fields of education and he realized that vision in his lifetime..." Dr. Mark Hasten truly lived a remarkable life and he always expressed gratitude for the opportunities he was granted. Looking back at his life a few years ago, he said, "I saw Gehinnom and lived Gan Eden...I've worked my entire life to create success for Yiddishkeit-Judaism and for those around me and as a lifelong inventor and creator, I believe success is the mother of invention." Hasten is survived by his wife, Anna Ruth Hasten; his daughters Judy Kaye and Monica Hasten; sons Edward Hasten and Rabbi Michael Hasten; and his brother Hart Hasten.

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Joseph D. Mark is a business leader, entrepreneur and philanthropist. He assumed his role as chair of the Board of Trustees of New York Medical College in July 2020, after serving for nearly a decade as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Touro College and University System.

In addition to his service to the college, he currently serves as chair of Apos Therapy and a member of the board of directors of the Visiting Nurse Service of New York. Both professionally and from a philanthropic standpoint, Mark has been involved in health care and education throughout the span of his career and views his role as chair of the Board as the ideal nexus between two fields about which he is extraordinarily passionate. A former venture capitalist and investment banker on Wall Street who established himself as a seasoned leader in the health science and education fields, Mark acquired, built and over time, successfully sold several

health care companies. Throughout his career, he led these companies to become more efficient and better able to meet the needs of patients at a more affordable cost. Mark holds a bachelor's degree from Columbia University and an MBA from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. He is married to Meryl Schlusser Mark, M.D., a gynecologist in private practice, with whom he has three grown children and three grandchildren.

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DR. ANTHONY STEPHEN FAUCI

A TRIBUTE TO THE DOCTOR WHO EPITOMIZES
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Dr. Anthony Stephen Fauci in a 2020 analysis of Google Scholar citations ranked as the 41st most highly cited researcher of all time. According to the Web of Science, Fauci ranked 7th out of more than 1.8 million authors in the field of immunology by total citation count between 1980 and January 2020.

Born in Brooklyn, Dec. 24, 1940, to Stephen A. Fauci, a Columbia University-educated pharmacist, and Eugenia Abys, owners of a pharmacy in the Dyker Heights section of Bensonhurst, Fauci delivered prescriptions while his mother and sister worked the register. In 1962, he graduated from the College of the Holy Cross with a Bachelor of Arts degree and went on to Cornell University Medical College where he graduated first in his class with a Doctor of Medicine in 1966. Afterward he completed an internship and residency in internal medicine at the New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center, now known as New York Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medicine. Quoted in The New Yorker, April 10, 2020, about his interest in science while at Our Lady of Guadalupe elementary school in Bensonhurst, Fauci said, "I had no idea at the time when I was there, being taught by the Dominican nuns, that I would be interested in



science. I was interested in a lot of things, mostly sports, but certainly not science.” Nevertheless he went on to become, according to The New Yorker and The New York Times, “one of the most trusted medical figures in the United States,” and recognized worldwide for his research and cures of infectious diseases. In 1968, Fauci joined the National Institutes of Health (NIH) as a clinical associate in the Laboratory of Clinical Investigation (LCI) at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID). In 1974, he became head of the Clinical Physiology Section, LCI, and in 1980 was appointed chief of the laboratory of immunoregulation. In 1984, he became director of NIAID, a position he still holds. In that role Fauci is responsible for an extensive research portfolio of basic and applied research on infectious and immune-mediated illnesses and has been at the forefront of U.S. efforts to contend with worldwide viral diseases like the present Covid-19 pandemic. Fauci is a member of the White House Coronavirus Task Force established in late January 2020, under President Trump, to deal with the coronavirus pandemic. He became a “de facto” public health spokesperson for the office of the president during the pandemic and a strong advocate for ongoing social distancing

efforts in the United States. Despite ongoing disagreements with the Trump administration, Fauci courageously remained steadfast to science and not politics. Fauci has been described as “a consistent spokesperson for science, a person who more than any other figure has brokered a generational peace” between the two worlds of science and politics. “We’ve always had emerging infectious diseases. We have them now and we will continue to have them in the future. So just as emerging infections provide for us a perpetual challenge, we need to be perpetually prepared,” said Fauci as quoted in Oncology Times, Aug. 20, 2020. Fauci has delivered major lectures all over the world and is the recipient of numerous prestigious awards, including the Presidential Medal of Freedom (the highest honor given to a civilian by the President of the United States). He also has received 45 honorary doctoral degrees from universities in the United States and abroad. Fauci was named by Time magazine in its Sept. 22 issue to its list of the 100 Most Influential People of 2020. In 1985, he married Christine Grady, a nurse and bioethicist with the NIH. She is chief of the Department of Bioethics at the National Institutes of Health Clinical Center. They have three adult daughters.

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October 21, 2020

Dear Friends:

It is a pleasure to send greetings to everyone participating in this virtual celebration of the annual Founder's Dinner hosted by New York Medical College (NYMC).

Established in 1860, New York Medical College is among the oldest health sciences colleges in the United States dedicated to the education of physicians, scientists, and greater community of healthcare professionals. Programs of graduate and post-doctoral medical study and training in various disciplines are available at its three exceptional schools that focus on specialized areas – from cancer treatment to disaster medicine.

Now in its 161st year, NYMC remains committed to patient care in educating a diverse student body that holds great promise as the next generation of physicians, medical researchers, and healthcare workers. The College's association with other institutions further strengthens a philosophy of medical practice that emphasizes sensitivity and respect for all people.

As the early epicenter of the COVID-19 pandemic, this year has been especially difficult and demanding for New Yorkers. Yet nowhere is human strength and compassion more visible than among our healthcare communities, particularly when the entire world relies upon them for treatment and care.

While these challenging times ask each of us to be vigilant and respectful through social distancing, technology thankfully allows you to reinforce your shared sense of togetherness and purpose. I applaud the leadership at New York Medical College for setting this virtual stage which invites the academic, healthcare, and business communities to safely continue an important tradition of honoring the history and heritage of the College and its valuable contributions to society.

As you celebrate in collegial spirit, I offer best wishes for an enjoyable and successful event.

Sincerely,

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October 21, 2020

Dear Friends,

It is my great pleasure to send greetings to New York Medical College and its supporters on the occasion of the Founder's Dinner. Since 1860, New York Medical College has provided its students with outstanding educations and meaningful hands-on experiences. In the past year and despite the Covid-19 pandemic, BioInc@NYMC expanded, Touro College of Dental Medicine graduated its first class and the Center for Disaster Medicine held multiple training events. Additionally, students courageously volunteered and started their careers early to support overwhelmed hospitals. I'm proud to recognize New York Medical College for its many accomplishments and look forward to a time when we can celebrate them together.

Congratulations to this year's honorees Ronald L. Arenson, M.D., New Rochelle Mayor Noam Bramson, Congresswoman Nita Lowey, Mariano and Clara Rivera and Lawrence A. Tabak, D.D.S., Ph.D., and thank you to the faculty and alumni of New York Medical College for their work during this unprecedented time.

Best wishes to everyone for a successful celebration.

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October 21, 2020

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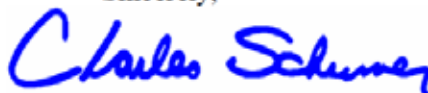
Please accept my warmest greetings as you gather with New York Medical College (NYMC) to celebrate its annual Founder's Dinner. During these challenging times, it is my pleasure to take a moment and celebrate the incredible work of NYMC, its staff, leadership, students and this evening's honorees.

As one of the oldest and largest health science colleges in the United States, NYMC has worked tirelessly creating generations of skilled and compassionate medical professionals. The COVID-19 pandemic has revealed to many what I have known for years: each and every one of you at NYMC is a hero, risking your lives on the frontlines daily to fearlessly serve others. This year, I was inspired by more than 100 members of the Class of 2020 who graduated early to administer medical support at hospitals during this pandemic's darkest days. NYMC also furthered its known reputation in medical innovation by assisting patients that required virtual care during this pandemic by partnering with companies like MediSprout. Furthermore, over the years, NYMC's Center for Disaster Medicine has trained hundreds of first responders in critical emergency preparedness exercises and I'm currently working with them to build on this success. It is clear that NYMC prepares future generations of healthcare workers for times like these and New Yorkers could not be more thankful.

At this time, I would like to congratulate tonight's honorees. First, I recognize my dear friend and long-time colleague, **Congresswoman Nita Lowey**, who has worked relentlessly for over 30 years fighting for the people of Westchester and Rockland Counties. Nita is a titan and will go down in history as a trailblazer for all women. I've been fortunate to work alongside her in Congress, securing critical funding and programs for NYMC and its faculty and students for decades. Similarly, I want to acknowledge another dear friend and colleague in government, **Mayor Noam Bramson**. Mayor Bramson and I have worked side by side since he first became Mayor in 2006. His exceptional leadership shined bright this year as COVID-19 reared its ugly head in Westchester County when the City of New Rochelle became one of the nations' first hotspots for the virus. I also send my deepest congratulations to **Dr. Ronald Arenson, Dr. Lawrence Tabak, and Mariano & Clara Rivera**— for their steadfast dedication to NYMC and to promoting public health and emergency preparedness in our communities. It is a privilege to recognize these truly outstanding individuals who have moved mountains so NYMC could continue its critical mission.

On behalf of all New Yorkers, thank you for your continued commitment and dedication during these extremely challenging times. I know that NYMC will continue to do its invaluable work for many years to come. Best wishes for a wonderful event and continue to remain safe.

Sincerely,



Charles E. Schumer
United States Senator



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Salomon Amar, D.D.S., Ph.D., is vice president for research at New York Medical College and director of the office of research administration.

Amar holds academic appointments as professor of pharmacology and professor of microbiology and immunology at NYMC. In addition, he serves as provost for biomedical research and chief biomedical research officer, for Touro College and University System, and professor of dental medicine at Touro College of Dental Medicine at New York Medical College. As a faculty member, Amar's research has focused on periodontal tissue homeostasis and mechanisms of inflammatory bone loss. His research has led to seminal observations in periodontal systemic diseases especially cardiovascular diseases or obesity leading to innovative approaches in public health aspects of these diseases. Amar says, "My research team has a long-standing interest in periodontal tissue homeostasis and mechanisms of inflammatory bone loss. Both basic immunological and translational research, including clinical trials, have been used to dissect molecular immune

mechanisms and test them in animal models and ultimately in clinical trials. Our work has led to seminal observations in periodontal systemic diseases especially cardiovascular diseases or obesity leading to innovative approaches in public health aspects of these diseases.... Our observation that high-fat diet modulates the immune system in periodontal disease was extended to obesity to explain the diet-induced immune dysregulation mediated by TLR2. I have successfully directed several NIH-supported projects that have implicated important components of innate immunity....We gained over the years, expertise in innate immunity, inflammation and obesity and contributed to the understanding of the role of infection in the modulation of obesity, cardiovascular disease, and diabetes with a seminal paper in 2007 demonstrating that obesity interferes with the ability of the immune system to appropriately respond to infection.

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Robert W. Amler, M.D., M.B.A., was appointed by New York's governor in 2006 to chair the regional advisory council for the Berger Commission on hospital and long-term care utilization.

He helped secure independent access for physical therapists in New York state and has consulted for academic medical centers on clinical research support, graduate medical education, regional service integration and disaster preparedness. Previously, Amler was regional health administrator, U.S. Dept of Health and Human Services, where he secured supplemental State Children's Health Insurance funding for Medicaid programs. He oversaw hospital emergency preparedness and directed federal medical emergency assets during heightened external threats to the region. As chief medical officer at the Centers for Disease Control (CDC)'s Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR), he coordinated medical monitoring for anthrax response teams, launched a nationwide program to protect children from chemical hazards, established standardized environmental medicine biomarkers, and created a nationwide clinical network, Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Units, that has since expanded to several other countries. He led CDC's development of the evidence-based risk models for

Health Risk Appraisal that underlie standards used today by government, military and industry. At New York Medical College, he secured funding to repurpose the Dana Road and Skyline facilities, oversaw growth of the physical therapy and speech-language pathology programs and launched the Institute of Public Health, which includes the Public Health Practice Council and centers of excellence in Disability and Health, Disaster Medicine, Environmental Health and Long-Term Care. A practicing physician, Amler is a graduate of Dartmouth College, New York University, UMDNJ Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, and the CDC's Epidemic Intelligence Service, with residencies at Bellevue and St. Lukes-Roosevelt. A co-founder of BioInc, the biotech incubator at NYMC, he received the Doctor of Distinction Award for Medical Entrepreneurship from the Westchester County Business Journal and Medical Society, the Outstanding Service Award from the American Academy of Pediatrics, and in 2015 was named to City & State's "Responsible 100: New York's Most Outstanding Corporate Citizens."

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Ronald L. Arenson, M.D. '70

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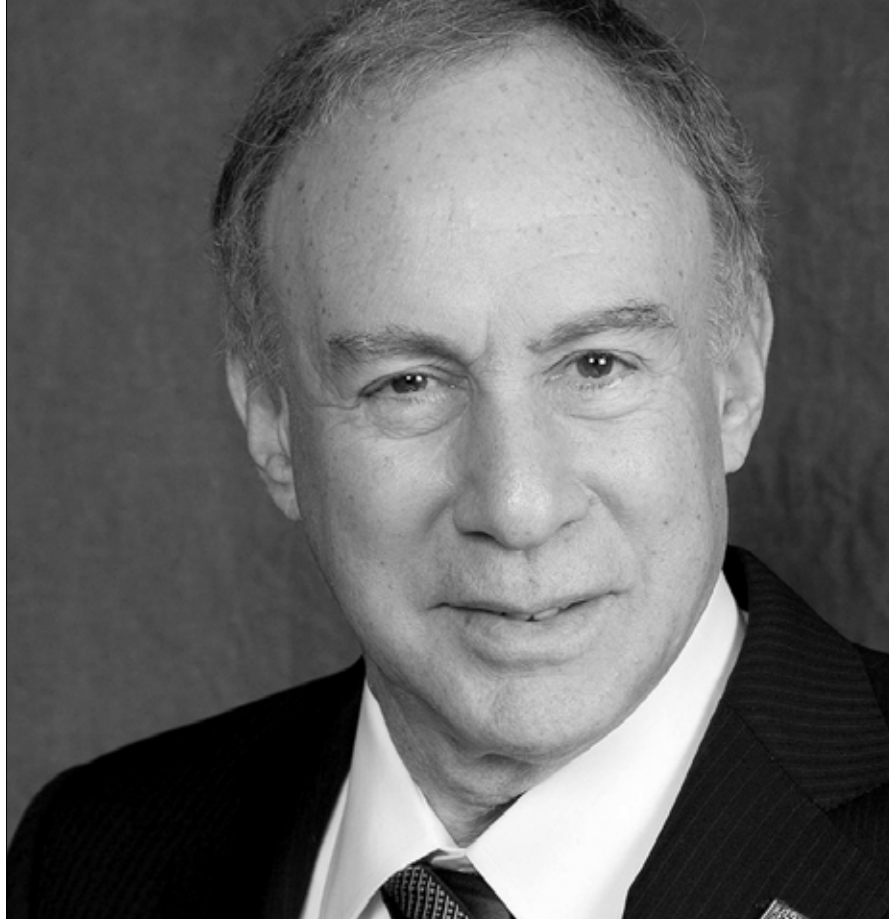
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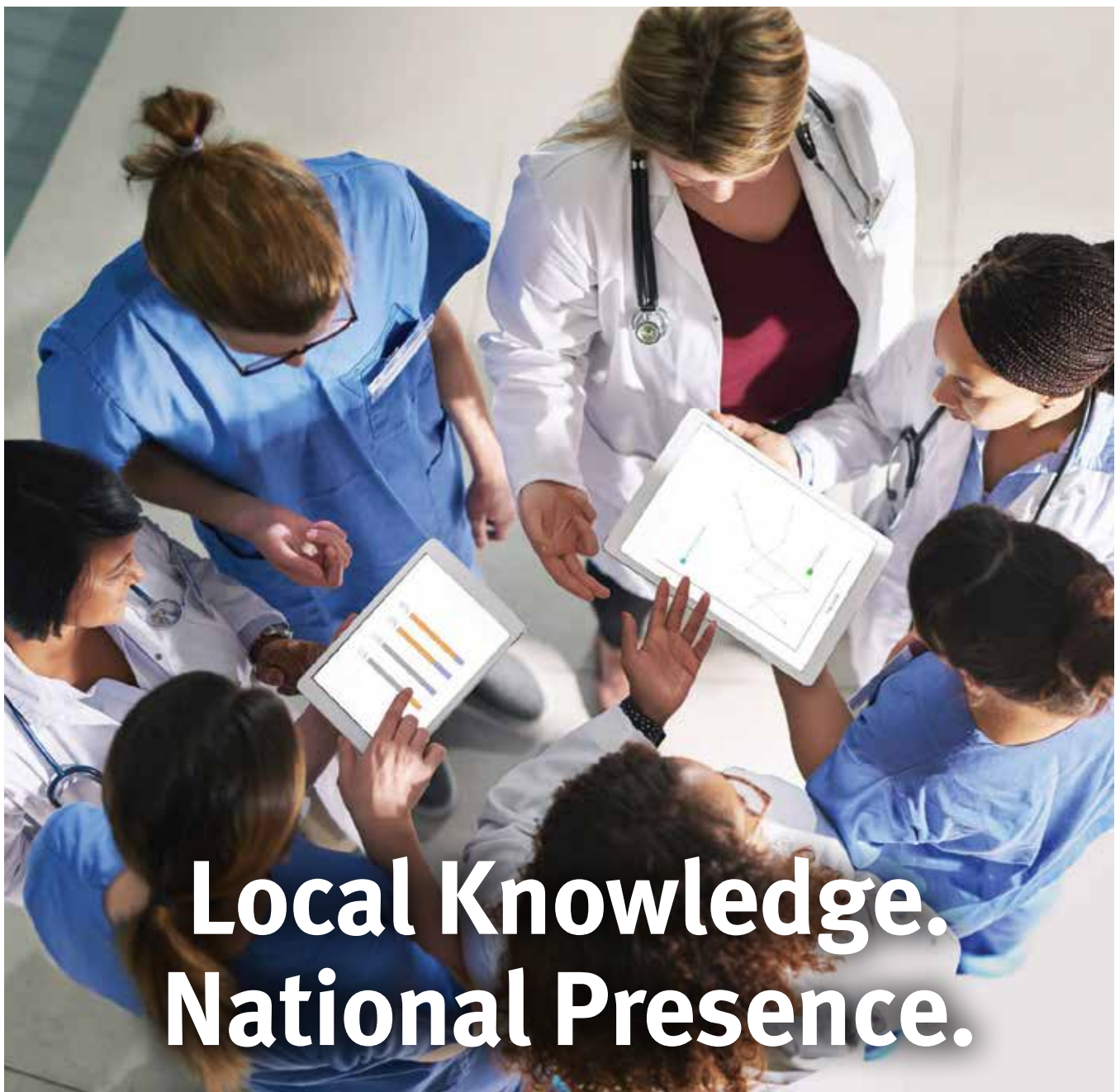
RONALD ARENSEN

Ronald Arenson, M.D. '70, recently retired as chair of the Department of Radiology and Biomedical Imaging and the Alexander R. Margulis Distinguished Professor of Radiology at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF).

He holds a bachelor's degree in mathematics from Duke University and a medical degree from New York Medical College School of Medicine. He has been awarded gold medals from the Association of University Radiologists, the International Society of Strategic Studies in Radiology and the Academy of Radiology Research and the Alumni Medal of Honor from NYMC, as well as honorary membership in the European Society of Radiology. Arenson has received the Innovation and Leadership Award from the Radiology Research Alliance, the Visionary Leadership Award from the Society of Chairmen of Academic Radiology Departments (SCARD), the Holly Smith Award for leadership from UCSF and the UCSF Health Leadership Award. He has recently completed his service as president of the Radiological Society of North America (RSNA) after having been on the RSNA Board of Directors for eight years. Arenson has served on both the Advisory Council of the National

Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bio-engineering of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) as well as the NIH Council of Councils. He has served as president of the Association of University Radiologists, the Board of GE-Radiology Research Academic Fellowship, the International Society for Strategic Studies in Radiology, the Radiology Information Systems Consortium and the Academy of Radiology Research. He is the former president of the medical staff at UCSF. Arenson currently serves on the Board of Trustees for the RSNA Research and Education Foundation. He was a founding member of the Board of Directors of Telequest Inc., a teleradiology company and served on the von Neuman Supercomputing Center Board of Directors. He now serves as a docent at the California Academy of Science in San Francisco, and as a consultant to several startups and early development companies in the San Francisco Bay area.

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With best wishes,

The Maron family



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NOAM BRAMSON

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Noam Bramson has served as mayor of the city of New Rochelle, New York, since January 2006 and has been re-elected four times by landslide margins – most recently in November 2019.

Prior to becoming mayor, he served for 10 years on the New Rochelle City Council. Through his dedicated public service, Bramson has acquired a reputation for effective, responsive and visionary leadership. He led his city from being the epicenter of the Covid-19 virus in the county to being one of the most-safe cities. He has been at the forefront of efforts to strengthen New Rochelle's economy, environment, safety and quality of life. He has worked successfully to forge public-private partnerships aimed at job creation and economic growth culminating in the most ambitious downtown development initiative in New Rochelle's history. He has been a strong advocate for thoughtful community planning, including the creation of New Rochelle's award-winning sustainability plan, GreenNR, and the adoption of the city's largest-ever capital and infrastructure investment. A strong and effective advocate for the city of New Rochelle, Bramson has secured grants for the enhancement of major trans-

portation corridors and the rehabilitation of New Rochelle's playing fields. In 2018, under his leadership, New Rochelle was awarded the coveted \$10 million Downtown Revitalization Initiative by New York state and was also chosen by Bloomberg Philanthropies as one of just nine cities nationwide to receive a \$1 million grant for innovation. Bramson is a life-long Westchester resident and graduate of New Rochelle public schools. He completed his undergraduate degree from Harvard University in three years and received a master's degree in public policy. He has served in leadership roles in numerous civic organizations and is a member of the Government and Finance Working Group for the Regional Plan Association, a member of the founding Board of Directors of Sustainable Westchester and a past board member of the Westchester Jewish Council. He is married to Catherine "Catie" Stern, Ph.D., a clinical pediatric neuropsychologist, and they have two sons.

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Doris J. Bucher, Ph.D., associate professor of microbiology and immunology, oversees the laboratory that develops high-yield reassortant strains for the production of the world's annual supply of influenza vaccine—some 400 million doses worldwide.

Each year's vaccine is different, containing the three or four strains that health officials believe are most likely to emerge during the subsequent flu season. Approximately 160 million doses of flu vaccine will be produced this season for the United States and an additional 200-300 million doses are produced worldwide. Bucher received her Bachelor of Science degree from Pennsylvania State University and Ph.D. from the University of California at Berkeley. Her

renowned expertise lies in health and wellness, laboratory services, education and learning and research, particularly with influenza viruses and vaccines. Her development of high-yield influenza viruses for annual vaccine production supported by Influenza Vaccine Manufacturers through IFPMA Influenza Vaccine Supply Task force has contributed worldwide to help prevent and mitigate influenza.

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KIRSTEN GILLIBRAND
NEW YORK



UNITED STATES SENATOR

October 21, 2020

Dear Friends,

It is a privilege to send greetings to everyone attending New York Medical College's Annual Founder's Dinner. Congratulations to U.S. Representative Nita Lowey, the Hon. Noam Bramson, Lawrence Tabak, D.D.S, PhD., Ronald Arenson, M.D., and Mariano and Clara Rivera for your success and contributions to the community.

Founded in 1860, New York Medical College is one of our nation's oldest and most respected private health education institutions. I commend New York Medical College as you celebrate this momentous milestone of 160 years of steadfast commitment to advancing knowledge and furthering the quality of medical care. I extend my appreciation to the instructors, researchers, and staff who are preparing our next generations of health care providers with the knowledge and tools necessary to treat the unmet health needs of our society.

Thank you to New York Medical College for your part in taking care of our fellow New Yorkers. Please accept my best wishes for a wonderful event and for many more years of continued success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kirsten Gillibrand".

Kirsten Gillibrand
United States Senator



ANDREA STEWART-COUSINS

NEW YORK STATE SENATE, 35TH DISTRICT

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October 21, 2020

Dear Friends,

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the *New York Medical College Founder's 2020 Virtual Dinner*. Today celebrates 160 years of academic progress and achievements in the medical and health science field, and I am honored to take part virtually in this special occasion.

Since 1860, New York Medical College has provided exemplary education and clinical training that has helped many students embark on rewarding careers as physicians, scientists and other health care professionals. We are truly grateful to all alumni and current students who worked on the frontlines to combat the COVID-19 pandemic and a special thank you to the NYMC School of Medicine Class of 2020 who joined the workforce prior to their graduation date in order to provide support to hospitals facing an overwhelming number of covid-19 patients.

I join you in recognizing this year's honorees who have made significant contributions to our community: **Ronald L. Arenson, M.D.'70**, Emeritus Chairman, Department of Radiology and Biomedical Imaging, University of California, San Francisco; **Honorable Noam Bramson**, Mayor, City of New Rochelle; **Honorable Nita M. Lowey**, U.S. House of Representatives; **Mariano and Clara Rivera**, New York Yankees Hall of Fame Legend and Pastor of Refuge of Hope; and **Lawrence A Tabak, D.D.S., Ph.D.** Principal Deputy Director of the National Institutes of Health (NIH). Thank you all for your dedication and hard work and I am very grateful.

Your participation this evening demonstrates your commitment to our community, and I thank you for your interest in this very important educational institution. **New York Medical College** is well-served by and we are grateful for your dedication to making a difference in the community.

Best Wishes,

Andrea Stewart-Cousins

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Tiffany E. Channer, MPH, MLS (ASCP) CM, is the assistant administrative director of laboratories and quality manager at White Plains Hospital (WPH).

She joined WPH in April 2020, at the peak of SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) pandemic, where her responsibilities have included everything from validations of new instrumentation to addressing supply chain challenges. Channer has recently participated in numerous townhalls and podcasts discussing Covid-19. Prior to joining WPH, she worked for nine years at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York City as lead medical technologist III and safety officer, where she honed her skills in blood banking and transfusion medicine. In her spare time, Channer supports her passion for community service, laboratory science and public health by conducting presentations at local high schools, educating students on the importance of an education and correlating epidemiological theory and statistics into the clinical laboratory setting. She also served as American Society Clinical Pathology (ASCP) president and served on the emergency plan for AIDS Relief as an initiative consultant in Swaziland, Africa. Additionally, she has served as

the ASCP chair for the Council of Laboratory Professionals, Patient Champion Advisory Board member and career ambassador. Channer has received numerous awards and accolades for her work, including the 2011 Medical Laboratory Scientist of the year Award for the Transfusion Medicine Department at Memorial Sloan Kettering, and the 2012 ASCP Regional Member Award for the Northeast region. In 2015, she was honored as one of ASCP's Top Five 40 under Forty future leaders of pathology and laboratory medicine. In 2016, she was awarded The Network Journal's 40 under Forty achievement award. In 2019, Emerge magazine featured Channer, along with her fellow clinical laboratory scientist colleagues, as Outstanding Women In STEM. Channer earned her undergraduate degree from Stony Brook University, and her master's degree in public health (MPH) with a concentration in health policy and management and a graduate certification in global health from New York Medical College in May 2013.

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MARINA K. HOLZ

Marina K. Holz, Ph.D. joined New York Medical College from Stern College of Yeshiva University where she served as the Doris and Dr. Ira Kukin chair in biology, chair of the Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, and holder of a joint appointment in the Department of Molecular Pharmacology of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine.

She received her Bachelor of Science degree in microbiology and immunology, with great distinction, from McGill University and completed her Ph.D. in cell and developmental biology at Harvard Medical School. With her passion and leadership in biomedical research and education, Holz leads an NIH-funded laboratory at NYMC studying the mechanisms of signaling by hormones and growth factors in breast cancer and lymphangioleiomyomatosis (LAM)—a rare lung disease. Her work spans basic science and clinical applications and has been published in leading journals. The Holz lab has been previously funded by grants from the American Cancer Society (ACS), LAM Foundation, Wendy Will Case Cancer Fund, American

Association for Cancer Research (AACR), Mindlin Foundation, National Cancer Center, and Atol Foundation. Holz also serves as a peer reviewer for multiple journals and participates in grant-review study sections for the NIH, Department of Defense, ACS, LAM Foundation, and many international funding agencies. She is a dedicated mentor to students and laboratory scientists. Many of her trainees have gone on to successful health professional and biomedical research careers. Holz has served as a mentor and coach in several diversity initiatives organized by the National Research Mentoring Network, the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology and the American Society for Cell Biology.

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Rabbi Moshe D. Krupka as the executive vice president and university ombudsman of the Touro College and University System. serves as chief liaison for community affairs and has spearheaded new initiatives that have raised Touro's visibility within the Jewish and general communities.

He serves as the administration's senior internal advisor on Jewish matters and Jewish education. Krupka received rabbinical ordination from Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik at Yeshiva University's (YU) Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary, and a Master of Science in secondary education from YU's Azrieli Graduate School of Jewish Education and Administration. Prior to joining Touro College, Krupka served as national executive director at the Orthodox Union where he enjoyed a two-and-a-half decade career and played a prominent role in leading the organization's provision of extensive programmatic, administrative and educational support to hundreds of synagogues and communities across the U.S., Canada and Israel. Krupka was part of the team when Touro acquired New York Medical College and switched the medical school, which had been under

the auspices of the Archdiocese of New York since the late 1970s, to one under an observant Jewish institution. *"The obvious elephant in the room is how are we going to transition a 150-year-old medical school under the archdiocese to a school under Jewish auspices that follows traditional observant Judaism," said Krupka. "We are all people of good will and good faith. We were very respectful of the previous administration....The culture is very much about mutual respect for diversity and faith traditions."

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Nita M. Lowey is currently serving her 16th term in Congress, representing parts of Westchester and Rockland counties. She was first elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1988, and in the 113th Congress (2013-2015), she became the ranking member of the Democratic Party on the House Appropriations Committee — making Lowey the first woman to chair that committee.

She has taken key leadership roles on a variety of vital public policy issues, like leading the effort to make our nation more secure by supporting first responders' preparedness initiatives and equipment; working to increase health care access and biomedical research, as well as spearheading the effort to more than double the funding for breast cancer research. A strong proponent of education, she has successfully fought efforts to cut funding for public broadcasting and has supported fully funding the federal government's commitment to education on all levels. Because Lowey understands that instability abroad undermines security at home, she is a fierce advocate for increas-

ing developmental assistance overseas as chair of the United States House Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations and Related Programs. Lowey served in House Democratic Leadership positions in 2001 and 2002 as the first woman and first New Yorker to chair the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee. A Bronx-native, she graduated from Bronx High School of Science and received a bachelor's degree from Mount Holyoke College. She served as assistant secretary of state for the state of New York before her election to Congress. She and her husband, Stephen, have been married for 50 years and have three grown children and eight grandchildren.

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Dear Friends:

It gives me great pleasure to support the mission and great work of the New York Medical College (NYMC) on the occasion of its annual fundraising event, the Founder's Dinner.

I especially want to thank the students, residents and clinical fellows, faculty members and administrators at NYMC for their remarkable help during the ongoing public health crisis we are facing. Your willingness to volunteer on the frontlines and elsewhere with your expertise is much appreciated. The fact that more than 100 members of the NYMC Class of 2020 graduated early to provide medical support to hospitals during the pandemic deserves both our praise and gratitude.

We are so lucky to have a world class medical, dental and research facility in the heart of the Hudson Valley. I was fortunate earlier this year to visit your campus, meet faculty and students, see first-hand the important work that you do and recognize the corresponding economic activity the college generates throughout the region.

I am proud that this year we were able to partner and increase New York State funding for the college's Center for Disaster Medicine, which was awarded \$925,000 from the state. This funding will help you continue your critical work in teaching disaster preparedness and operational and tactical medicine throughout the region in order to protect New Yorkers from the threat of mass casualty incidents, catastrophic bioterrorism and natural disasters.

I would also like to congratulate this evening's honorees: Ronald L. Arenson, M.D., Honorable Noam Bramson, Representative Nita M. Lowey, Mariano and Clara Rivera and Lawrence A. Tabak, D.D.S., Ph.D.

My best wishes for another successful and productive year!

Sincerely,

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I am pleased to offer my congratulations on the occasion of New York Medical College's Founder's Dinner, celebrating 160 years in our community.

Since its founding in 1860, New York Medical College has educated thousands of medical professionals and scientists, providing exemplary service to the people of Westchester County and beyond. New York Medical College's national and local recognition continues to make us proud.

This year, NYMC and its students met the challenges presented during the COVID-19 pandemic by organizing volunteer opportunities to help those in need. Over 100 students graduated early, enabling them to begin their medical careers and provide care during a critical time. The Center for Disaster Medicine continued its training events and strengthened its partnerships with a multitude of local law enforcement agencies, fire and EMS, and the Greater New York Hospital Association. BioInc, the biotechnology incubator completed its renovations, and will be able to incubate up to 20 new companies.

I would also like to offer my congratulations to this year's stellar honorees, Ronald L. Arenson, Noam Branson, Nita M. Lowey, Mariano Rivera, Clara Rivera and Lawrence A. Tabak.

Please accept my best wishes for a joyous evening with much to celebrate.

Sincerely,

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JERRY L. NADLER

Jerry L. Nadler, M.D., MACP, FAHA, FACE earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in biology and chemistry from The State University of New York, Binghamton, and his M.D. from the University of Miami's Miller School of Medicine, where he worked with Dr. Daniel Mintz, the founding scientific director and chief academic officer of the Diabetes Research Institute.

He completed his internship and residency in internal medicine at Loma Linda University and a three-year clinical and research fellowship in endocrinology and diabetes at the University of Southern California (USC) Los Angeles County Medical Center where he remained as a tenured faculty in the endocrine division. His quest to advance the understanding of diabetes led him to the City of Hope Medical Center in Duarte, California, where he helped to build the City of Hope's Diabetes Program as its director. Nadler then moved to Virginia to serve as chief of endocrinology and metabolism at the University of Virginia, co-director of the Diabetes and Hormone Center of Excellence and associate director of the school's National Institutes of Health (NIH) funded Diabetes Endocrinology Research Center. Prior to joining New York Medical College in 2019, Nadler served as professor and chair of internal medicine, the Harry H. Mansbach Endowed chair in internal medicine and vice dean of research and director of the Strelitz Diabetes Center at Eastern Virginia Medical School. An internationally recognized diabetes researcher, he has been a member of a Special

Advisory Committee on Type 1 Diabetes with the director of the NIH. In addition, he has been a standing member of the American Diabetes Association, American Heart Association and NIH grant review committees. Based on his excellence in research, he was elected to the American Society of Clinical Investigation. Nadler's groundbreaking contributions—which focus on understanding cardiovascular complications of diabetes and obesity—include his work in identifying inflammatory pathways leading to pancreatic beta cell damage, insulin resistance and atherosclerosis. Toward this end, his research has led to the development of preventative therapies and the identification of new small molecules blocking 12-Lipoxygenase activity. He has research funding from the NIH as well as the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation and his current work is designed to determine whether a virus could be a trigger for Type 1 diabetes. Nadler holds a number of patents for biomarkers and novel therapeutics. His clinical interest is focused on treatment and prevention of diabetes and related complications.

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John T. Pellicone, M.D., FACP, FCCP, FAACVPR is a pulmonologist by training and most recently served as chief medical officer of two hospitals within the New York-Presbyterian Healthcare System.

Prior to joining NYC Health +Hospitals/ Metropolitan+ Hospitals/Metropolitan, Pellicone served as chief medical officer of both Helen Hayes Hospital and Nyack Hospital in Rockland County, the only chief medical officer overseeing two institutions within the New York-Presbyterian Healthcare System. He joined Helen Hayes in 1989 as the director of the special care unit and was named the director of medicine at Nyack Hospital in 1996 and appointed the hospital's chief medical officer in 2001. The following year he was also named the chief medical officer at Helen Hayes Hospital. Pellicone earned an honors degree with distinction in chemistry from Dartmouth College. He received his M.D. from Columbia University College of Physicians & Surgeons, followed by an internal

medicine residency at Montefiore Medical Center, and completed a pulmonary fellowship at NYC Health + Hospitals/ Metropolitan Bellevue Hospital Center. Pellicone began a private practice in pulmonary medicine in 1986, which he maintained until his appointment at NYC Health + Hospitals/Metropolitan NYC Health + Hospitals/Metropolitan, an acute care, teaching hospital providing comprehensive inpatient and outpatient health care and supportive services to residents of East Harlem and surrounding communities.

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MARIANO RIVERA and CLARA YOUNCE RIVERA attended the same elementary school in Panama, started dating in high school and married in 1991. They have three sons, Mariano Jr., Jafet, and Janziel.

Clara serves as Pastor of Refuge of Hope in New Rochelle, a church the Riveras purchased and restored in 2014. Through the church and their devotion to the community the Riveras participated in tending to the needy during the pandemic. Their church was indeed a refuge. Mariano Rivera is a Major League Baseball (MLB) Hall of Famer who played 19 seasons for the New York Yankees and retired in 2013, closing a stellar career as a relief pitcher that included 17 seasons as their closer. A 13-time All-Star and five-time World Series champion, he is MLB's career leader in saves (652) and games finished (952). Among his many accolades, Rivera won five American League (AL) Rolaids Relief Man Awards and three Delivery Man of the Year Awards and finished in the top three in voting for the AL Cy Young Award four times. Rivera was inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame in 2019 in his first year of eligibility and was the first player elected unanimously by the Baseball Writers' Association of America. Raised in Panama in the village of Puerto Caimito, Rivera signed a contract with the Yankees in 1990. He

began his career in the major leagues in 1995 as a starting pitcher before converting to a reliever later in his rookie year and became the Yankees' closer in 1997. Over the course of his career he established a reputation as one of MLB's top relievers and was the saves leader in 1999, 2001 and 2004. Rivera was a key contributor to the Yankees' success from the late 1990s through early 2000s. A highly accomplished postseason performer, he was named the 1999 World Series MVP and 2003 AL Championship Series MVP. His postseason records include the lowest (ERA) earned run average (0.70) and most Saves (42). Widely regarded as one of the most dominant relievers in MLB history, his records include recording Saves in at least 25 games in 15 consecutive seasons and posting an ERA under 2.00 in 11 seasons. His career 2.21 ERA and 1.00 WHIP (walks and hits per inning pitched) are the lowest in the live-ball era among qualified pitchers. In 2013 the Yankees retired his uniform number 42. He was the last MLB player to wear it following its league-wide retirement in honor of Jackie Robinson. In 2014, MLB named its AL Reliever of the Year Award in Rivera's honor. A devout Christian, Rivera has been involved in charitable causes and supports his religious community through the Mariano Rivera Foundation. In 2019, he was honored with the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the highest civilian award in the United States.

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Lawrence A. Tabak, D.D.S., Ph.D. is the principal deputy director of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the deputy ethics counselor of the agency.

He previously served as acting principal deputy director of NIH (2009), and prior to that as director of the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research from 2000-2010. Tabak has provided leadership for numerous trans-NIH activities, including the NIH Roadmap effort to support team science, the NIH director's initiative to enhance peer review, NIH's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act implementation, the NIH initiative to enhance rigor and reproducibility in research and the NIH-Wide Strategic Plan. He has co-chaired working groups of the Advisory Committee to the Director of NIH on the Diversity of the Biomedical Research Workforce, the Long-Term Intramural Research Program, data and informatics, the Next Generation Researcher's Initiative, High Risk High Reward Research, Artificial

Intelligence, the Review of the Moderate Alcohol and Cardiovascular Health Trial, and foreign influences on research integrity. He is currently co-chairing the Enhancing Reproducibility and Rigor in Animal Research working group. Prior to joining NIH, Tabak was the senior associate dean for research and professor of dentistry and biochemistry and biophysics in the School of Medicine and Dentistry at the University of Rochester in New York. A former NIH Merit recipient, his major research focus has been on the structure, biosynthesis and function of glycoproteins. Tabak is an elected member of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academies. He received his undergraduate degree from City College of New York, his D.D.S. from Columbia University, and a Ph.D. from the University of Buffalo.

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KELSEY O'HAGAN, M.D. CANDIDATE CLASS OF 2022

Kelsey demonstrated leadership skills as soon as she arrived on campus. Her classmates elected her to the Student Senate her first year at NYMC and she was elected Student Senate president at the end of her second year. Kelsey has been a good student representative, as well as liaison to the administration. She possesses excellent judgment and offers good ideas and solutions to enhance the student experience at New York Medical College.

BERTIE ZHANG, M.D. CANDIDATE CLASS OF 2021

Bertie is a true advocate for her classmates and the community at large. Elected by her classmates to the NYMC House of Representatives, Bertie along with other key student organizations work together to interact with classmates and the administration. Bertie has volunteered in several community outreach causes when Covid-19 peaked in the spring of 2020 and community health needs surged. Bertie, in her spare time, has foster cats preparing them for loving families.

MATHIAS PALMER M.D. CANDIDATE CLASS OF 2021

Mathias is a person who exhibits a quiet leadership approach. He came to NYMC with an IT background and immediately offered to help his fellow classmates when certain club events required special audiovisual setup. His prowess reached new heights when Covid-19 arrived, and his classmates were eager to volunteer in the community. Mathias established a volunteer platform where students signed up for volunteer activities that assisted with Covid-19 hospital and public health needs. He also helped create a virtual platform for the annual student club fair. Mathias was elected to the Gold Humanism Society and AOA (Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society).

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MARY CALVI

Mary Calvi is a 10-time Emmy Award-winning journalist, co-anchor of “CBS2 This Morning” and “CBS2 At Noon” at WCBS-TV in Manhattan and author of “Dear George, Dear Mary” (St. Martin’s Press), a novel depicting heiress Mary Philipse’s relationship with George Washington, based on historical accounts, letters and journals.

She is also, the first lady of Yonkers, wife of Mayor Mike Spano. It was at her husband’s inauguration at Philipse Manor back in 2012 that Calvi saw, and was intrigued by, a portrait of the other Mary. With her imagination fired, Calvi resolved to discover the true story of Mary Philipse, and specifically her relationship with George Washington, whom Henry Cabot Lodge records fell in love with her “at short notice.” “I thought, here is a real tale to tell,” says Calvi, who looked through an archive of 26,000 documents in her quest to unravel the story. “It was

like being on a treasure hunt, like putting together a puzzle.” How Calvi has time to write a shopping list, let alone a book, is anybody’s guess. Her alarm goes off at 2:30 a.m., allowing her to get to the studio for her 4:30 to 7 a.m. slot. She is on again at noon, after which she gets “a few hours to myself.” Calvi is a magna cum laude graduate with a degree in broadcast journalism from the S. I. Newhouse School of Public Communications at Syracuse University. She lives in Yonkers with her husband and three children. Her novel “Dear George, Dear Mary: A Novel of George Washington’s First Love” was published by St. Martin’s Press.

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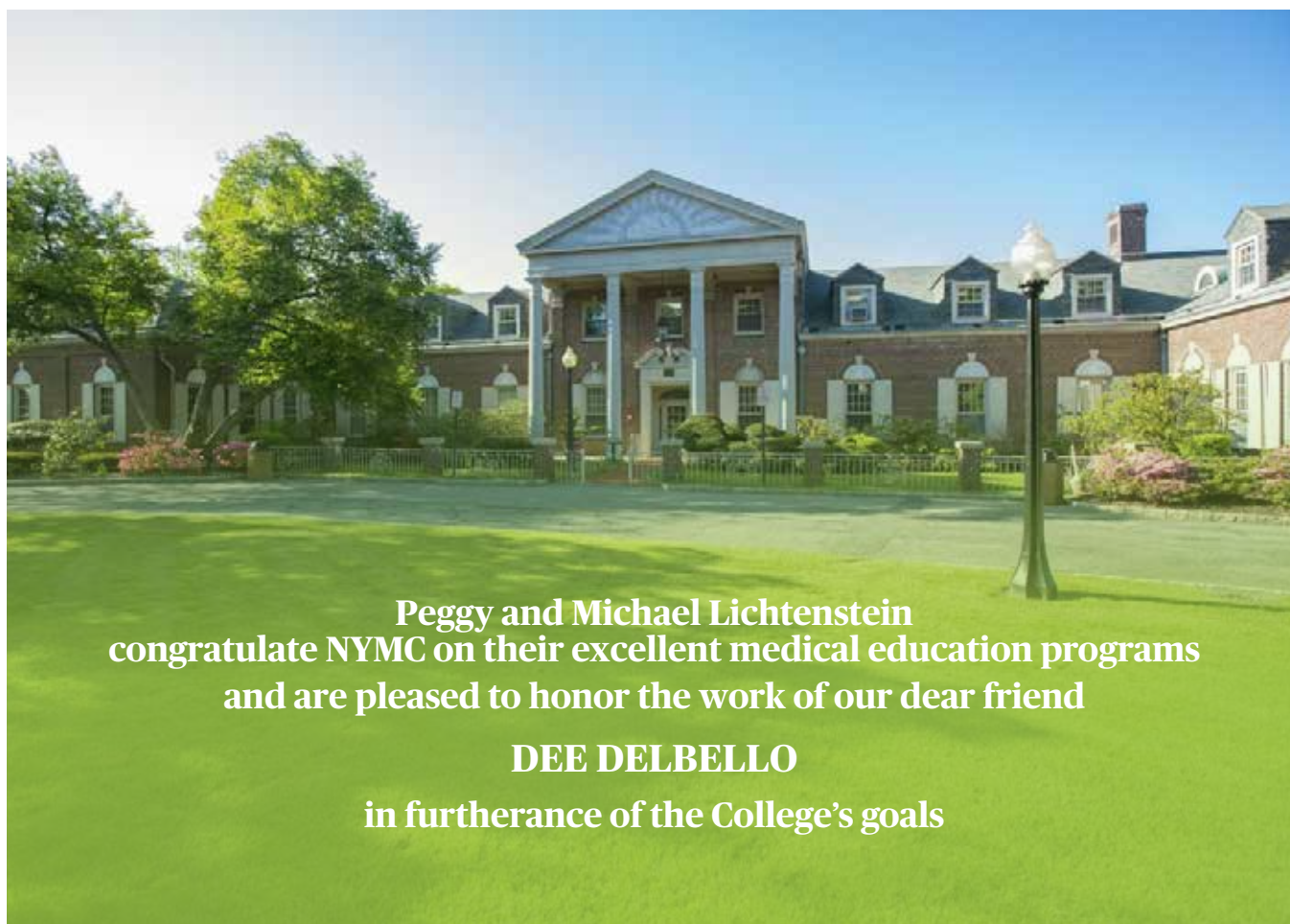


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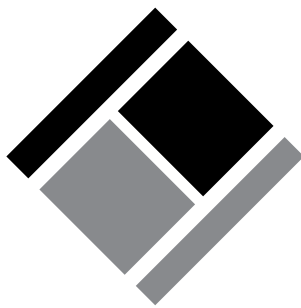
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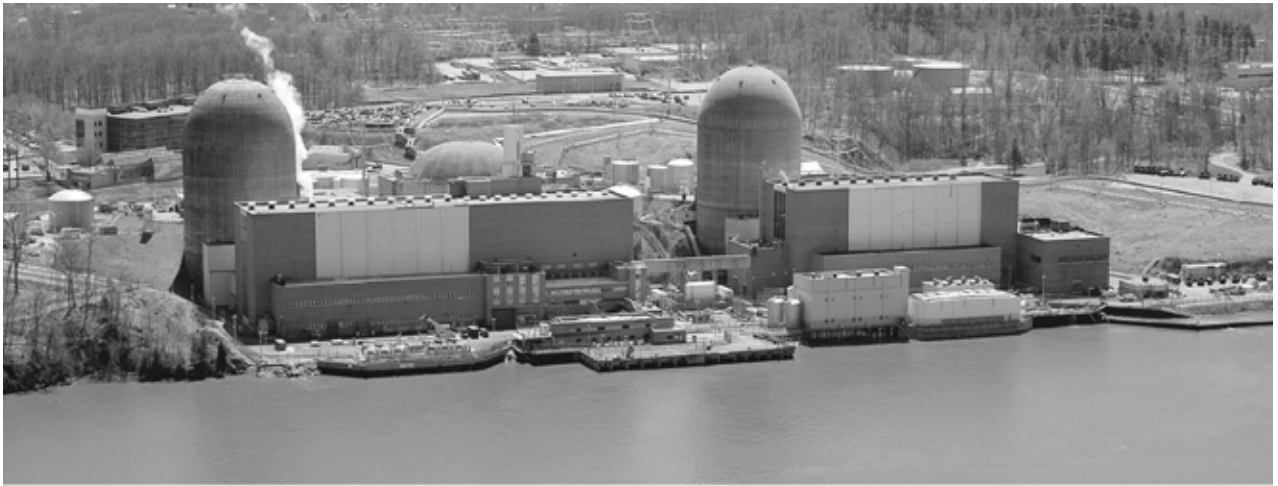
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