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Honoring

VITA CARULLI RABINOWITZ, PH.D.
Executive Vice Chancellor and University Provost
The City University of New York

LORI ANN ATTIVISSIMO, MD, FACP
Senior Medical Director
Northwell Health Hospice and Home Care Network

Receiving Friend of NOIAW Award

JOSEPH R. FICALORA
President & CEO of NYCB
VITA C. RABINOWITZ is Executive Vice Chancellor and University Provost at The City University of New York. Since her service in this role began in July 2015, she has worked to advance university priorities related to college readiness, degree completion, comprehensive developmental education reform, and workforce development as well as performance management and assessment, among other areas. She has also established CUNY’s Office of Faculty Affairs, which aims to work collaboratively with colleagues across the university to ensure that faculty are supported and recognized for their essential contributions to students, the University, and their disciplines. For nearly a decade prior to her current appointment, Dr. Rabinowitz served as Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Hunter College, where she spent 37 years as a dedicated faculty member and also served as the co-founder and co-director of the Gender Equity Project. Dr. Rabinowitz received her master's and doctoral degrees in social psychology at Northwestern University.
LORI ANN ATTIVISSIMO, MD, has devoted her career to improving hospice and palliative care. She’s a proven leader who has rapidly advanced Northwell Health Hospice Care Network (HCN) into a premier hospice provider.

Dr. Attivissimo serves as HCN’s senior medical director, overseeing the medical services for patients across Queens, Nassau and Suffolk Counties. HCN serves an average of 520 end-of-life patients daily. Dr. Attivissimo also helped create the Miracle Foundation Home-Based Palliative Care Center, serving as senior medical director. She has focused on several quality-improvement initiatives striving to improve transition of care for patients and families.

Dr. Attivissimo also serves as Northwell Health’s medical director for home care network and is Co-Chair of Northwell Health’s Advanced Illness Collaborative. As Co-Chair, she assisted in the development of the Goals of Care Conversation Education Program (GoCCEP) seeking to provide structured guidance to increase the practitioner’s level of confidence engaging patients and their families in meaningful goals of care conversations.

Dr. Attivissimo is an active participant and presenter in the Hospice and Palliative Care arena. She is a member of the Molloy Palliative Care Conference Planning Committee, actively involved in further education and training in end of life care. In collaboration with other palliative care leaders at Northwell Health, she will be providing palliative care training to other organizations throughout the country as part of a Palliative Care Leadership Center through the Center to Advance Palliative Care. Dr. Attivissimo is also a member of the Hospice & Palliative Care Association of NY State State Legislative/Regulatory Subcommittee.

Dr. Attivissimo is an assistant professor at Hofstra Northwell School of Medicine and is a fellow of the American College of Physicians and American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine. She is also board certified in Internal Medicine, Medical Oncology and Hematology, Hospice and Palliative Medicine, and Hospice Medical Director.

Dr. Attivissimo holds a bachelor’s degree in biology from Adelphi University graduating Magna Cum Laude and a medical degree from Wayne State University. She completed her residency in medicine followed by fellowship in Medical Oncology/Hematology at the North Shore University Hospital, Manhasset, New York in 1996.
A GRADUATE OF PACE UNIVERSITY with a degree in business and finance Joseph R. Ficalora is the President and CEO and a director of New York Community Bancorp, Inc. (NYCB) the 22nd largest bank holding company in the nation. With assets of $48.9 billion, under Ficalora’s leadership, the company has evolved from a mutual savings bank with seven branches to a publicly traded multi-bank holding company with 255 branches. In addition to his work with NYCB, Mr. Ficalora provides leadership to several professional banking organizations, including the American Bankers Association and the New York Bankers Association, just to name a few. He also is an active participant in community affairs. A member of the Board of Directors of the Queens Chamber of Commerce since 1990, Mr. Ficalora has served on its Executive Committee since April 1992. In addition, Mr. Ficalora serves on the Boards of Directors of the Foreign Policy Association, New York-Presbyterian/Queens, and Flushing Cemetery, the Board of Trustees and the Finance and Audit Committee of the New York Hall of Science, the Board of Trustees and the Audit Committee of the Museum of the Moving Image, and the Advisory Council of the Queens Museum of Art.
Program

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American and Italian National Anthems
Cristina Fontanelli

Invocation
Msgr. Jamie Gigantiello
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Remarks & Introductions
Maria Tamburri
Chair, NOIAW National Board

Hon. Francesco Genuardi
Consul General of Italy in New York

Luncheon

Annual Luncheon Award Presentations

VITA CARULLI RABINOWITZ, PH.D.
Executive Vice Chancellor and University Provost, The City University of New York
Presented by William A. Tramontano, Ph.D.
Provost & Sr. Vice President for Academic Affairs, Brooklyn College

LORI ANN ATTIVISSIMO, MD, FACP
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Presented by Maureen Hinkelman
Executive Director, Hospice Care Network

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JOSEPH R. FICALORA
President & CEO of NYCB
Presented by Cav. Mary Ann Mattone, RN/MPH

Cultural and Educational Programs
2016 Scholarship Recipient Sarah Capasso-Kosan

Presentation of Scholarship Awards
Presented by Robyn Imbimbo & Cav. Mary Ann Mattone, RN/MPH
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Raffle Drawing

Closing Remarks
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Scholarship Recipients 2017

AMANDA ANTONUCCI
Hunter College
The City University of New York
M.A. | Italian Literature
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BRIDGET BAGILEO
The Catholic University of America
B.A. | Classical Humanities & B.A. | Italian
The Honorable Geraldine A. Ferraro Scholarship Award
Donated by John A. Zaccaro

MARISSA COMO
Providence College
B.S. | Computer Science & B.A. | Mathematics
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ANDREA LEONE-PIZZIGHELLA
University of Pennsylvania
Ph.D. | Educational Linguistics
Donated by Columbus Citizens Foundation

SAMANTHA MORUZZI
Cornell University
B.S. | Science of Earth Systems
Minor: Italian
Donated by the NOIAW National Board of Directors
Amanda Antonucci
MY ITALIAN HERITAGE has guided me down a path of dedication and loyalty. These values were passed down to me by my Italian ancestors and have shaped my life professionally and personally. I have chosen to dedicate myself fully to my ancestral roots by pursuing a career as an Italian instructor. I look forward to the various remnants of my culture that I will unfold along the way. I will never cease to uncover the treasures of my Italian heritage and will pass these treasures down to my family as well as my pupils.

Bridget Bagileo
PART OF BEING an Italian American is being involved with family... They have always stressed how important family, including extended family is, and our responsibility to them because the way we look out for them is a reflection of us and what we consider important... Family and their traditions are so important to me because I hope to be able to pass them on to my husband and kids someday.

Marissa Como
FAMILY TIES US to our cultural roots. It is important to maintain cultural roots because it is through our heritage that we learn who we are, where we come from, and what we want to do in this life. It is important to me that the Italian American image and legacy is one of positive contribution. My grandfather was a mechanical engineer with a Master’s degree, and he was the first person in his family to attend college... The importance of education was always emphasized in my family because it is through education that we create a vocation for our lives filled with meaning and purpose.

Andrea Leone-Pizzighella
BEING ITALIAN AMERICAN has played an immense role in my personal and professional development, mainly because I have chosen to make it a centerpiece. My experience of being Italian-American has been, for the most part, about actively choosing to identify with my Italian heritage... It was only when I got older and started applying for jobs, meeting new people, and navigating the world as an autonomous individual that I realized that my Italian heritage was a salient identity marker.

Samantha Moruzzi
THE IMPORTANCE of family and tradition that my Italian heritage instilled in me provided me with a strong support system that I leaned on for every endeavor, and helped me develop my identity as a person. The members of my close-knit family have been my motivators and my encouragers, my sources of reason, and celebrators of my achievements. They continue to be my support beam when things go wrong, and my eager admirers when things go right. They are a support system I am unable to obtain in friendships or relationships, and have thus shown what a unique treasure a family is.
Dear Members, Friends and Honored Guests,

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US this afternoon for the National Organization of Italian American Women’s 2017 Annual Luncheon. It is my pleasure to congratulate our Honorees on this very special occasion.

Vita Carulli Rabinowitz, PhD is Executive Vice Chancellor and University Provost for The City University of New York.

Lori Ann Attivissimo, MD, FACP is Senior Medical Director of Northwell Health Hospice and Home Care Network.

We are proud to celebrate the professional and personal achievements of each of these women who exemplify what it means to be a truly accomplished Italian American woman.

Joseph R. Ficalora, President & CEO of NYCB is receiving our Friend of NOIAW in appreciation for his generous support of our organization.

The Luncheon is our annual fundraiser, which supports our cultural and networking programs in addition to youth initiatives, which include the scholarship, mentoring and cultural exchange programs. This year we continued our tradition of honoring Three Wise Women at Epiphany Celebrations in New York, Greater Washington, DC, Rhode Island and Connecticut. Twelve outstanding professionals were recognized for accomplishments in their respective fields and impact on the Italian American community. Our National Board of Directors proudly invited members and friends to celebrate Governor Cuomo’s appointments of Judge Jane DiFiore, Chief Judge of the State Appeals Court and Chief Judge of the State of New York and board member, Maria T. Vullo, Superintendent of the Department of Financial Services.

It was a year of honors for our organization: NOIAW Founder & Chair Emerita, Dr. Aileen Riotto Sirey received the Italian American Leadership Award from the National Italian American Foundation (NIAF). The Italian Language InterCultural Alliance (ILICA) honored us with their Women of the Year Award. The Italian Heritage & Culture Committee also honored NOIAW during the Statue of Mother Italy ceremony on the occasion of our organization’s 35th Anniversary.

We awarded $12,500 in scholarships to five very talented and impressive Italian American college women pursuing degrees in diverse fields. Our cultural, mentoring and networking programs continue to expand. Networking events for young professionals were held in the Greater New York, Greater Washington DC and Rhode Island Regions. NOIAW’s Young Professionals have been gaining momentum in the Greater New York Region, thanks to the dedication of Teresa Alessandro and Carolann Trotta. Special designated events and social media are increasing our younger member base. Plans are underway to expand Young Professional Groups in other regions and networks.

Highlights of our cultural programs include several book presentations and networking events in all Regions. A unique program with Caruso Physical Dance from Italy was held in collaboration with the Italian Language InterCultural Alliance and other Italian cultural organizations in New York. A panel presentation for young entrepreneurs was also very successful in New York. The Greater Washington DC Region members visited several museums including the National Gallery’s Women in the Arts Exhibit. Two Italian cuisine book presentations were held in addition to The Lipstick Brigade about government workers during World War II. The Connecticut Region sponsored two theater outings, an art gallery visit and an Amalfi Coast wine tasting. The Rhode Island Region hosted networking events, and two book presentations and dinners, one supporting the Italian Earthquake Relief Fund. Our members and friends donated a total of $10,000 to this effort.

I would like to express my appreciation to the Board of Directors and all of you for your continued support during my second year as NOIAW Chair as we continue to unite, celebrate and enrich women of Italian heritage.

Sincerely,

Maria Tamburri
Chair, National Organization of Italian American Women
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The Columbus Citizens Foundation is best known for organizing New York City’s Columbus Celebration, the largest display honoring Italian and Italian-American culture and pride in the world.

While our most public undertaking is the production of the annual Columbus Day Parade on Fifth Avenue, our mission is to provide scholarship assistance to bright students of Italian-American descent who are academically gifted but lack financial means.
Congratulations

JOSEPH R. FICALORA

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On the occasion of NOIAW’s Annual Luncheon taking place in New York on April 22, let me convey my deepest appreciation for the important role played by your Association in promoting Italian culture and heritage.

I also wish to warmly congratulate this year’s honorees, Dr. Vita Carulli Rabinowitz and Dr. Lori Ann Attivissimo, for their professional achievements, as well as for sharing their attachment to their Italian roots.

Women play a key role in helping to preserve our language, which goes hand-in-hand with our traditions and memories. As you are aware, the Italian Government is engaged with local school authorities to increase the number of Italian Language courses at all school levels.

As a result, in 2016, 2,774 students successfully took the Italian AP exam, and our aim is to ensure that most of them continue to study Italian Language and Culture at the undergraduate level. Scholarships awarded by NOIAW to young Italian American Women are pivotal in this, and I look forward to exploring further means of cooperation with NOIAW to further our common goals.

I wish you every success for your Annual Luncheon and for your many initiatives in the field of culture and education.
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The National Organization of Italian American Women
25 West 43rd Street, Suite 1005
New York, N.Y. 10036

It is with great pleasure that I contribute to the National Organization of Italian American Women (NOIAW) Annual Luncheon Journal. It gives me a chance to express my fond admiration of a well established, dedicated group of dynamic women.

For over 37 years, NOIAW has enhanced the cultural and educational landscape of many fortunate recipients of scholarships, mentoring efforts and programs geared toward the promotion and preservation of Italian heritage, culture and language. The fact that these programs and initiatives continue to grow is a clear sign of the successful planning and execution of a determined group of professional women who remain very active in the the Italian and Italian American community.

My sincere congratulations to this year's honorees: Dr. Vita Carulli Rabinowitz and Dr. Lori Ann Attivissimo for their dedication and commitment to the academic and medical community as a whole.

I look forward to participating in many future events organized by NOIAW as a sign of Italy's commitment to strengthening the longstanding bonds of friendship between our two countries.

Francesco Genuardi
April 22, 2017

Dear Friends:

It is a pleasure to send greetings to everyone gathered for the Annual Luncheon of the National Organization of Italian American Women (NOIAW), celebrating your 36th anniversary.

The Empire State is fortunate to be home to your organization, which brings women together through their common ancestry, sisterhood, and personal and professional goals. The women of NOIAW are a uniquely dynamic force within the greater Italian American community and I applaud your efforts to help other women realize their potential by forging paths toward leadership and success, while promoting the wonderfully rich cultural heritage that I am so proud to share.

This afternoon, you come together in the strength and spirit exemplified by Italian women, to honor two remarkable women of impressive achievement within their respective areas of endeavor. I join in congratulating Dr. Vita Carulli Rabinowitz, Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost of the City University of New York, and Dr. Lori Ann Attivissimo, Senior Medical Director at Northwell Health Hospice and Home Care Network.

As a proud Italian American, I applaud your members for working toward their vision for a better world, and for instilling pride within new generations of Italian American women.

With my warmest regards and best wishes to all for an enjoyable celebration.

Sincerely,

ANDREW M. CUOMO

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April 22, 2017

Dear Friends:

Ciao a tutti! I am delighted to join the National Organization of Italian American Women in welcoming everyone to its Annual Luncheon.

New York’s greatest strength is the power of its diverse people – including a thriving population of Italian Americans – and we are proud of our residents’ shared desire to give back to their communities. NOIAW unites and empowers women of Italian descent by funding scholarships, providing opportunities for professional networking and mentoring, and sponsoring cultural events and exchange programs. As you gather in fellowship to support its vital mission, I applaud the organization’s members for their efforts to preserve the rich heritage of Italy and lift up female leaders in the five boroughs and beyond. Today’s event is also a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the remarkable multiculturalism that defines our global city and reaffirm our commitment to forge a brighter future for all New Yorkers.

On behalf of the City of New York, congratulations to this year’s honorees. Please accept my best wishes for an enjoyable luncheon and continued success.

Sincerely,

Bill de Blasio
Mayor
Dear Friends,

It is a pleasure to send greetings to everyone attending the National Organization of Italian American Women's Annual Luncheon.

I am grateful for organizations like the National Organization of Italian American Women (NOIAW) for uniting women through culture and heritage. Since 1980, NOIAW has advanced the professional and educational aspirations of Italian American women with various mentorship, scholarship, and cultural exchange programs. Italian and Italian American women have played an integral part in our nation's history. Thank you for your steadfast dedication to empowering members of our community.

I am proud to recognize the honorees of tonight's event who share in NOIAW's mission: Dr. Vita Carulli Rabinowitz, Executive Vice Chancellor and University Provost of The City University of New York; Dr. Lori Ann Attivissimo, Senior Medical Director of Northwell Health Hospice and Home Care Network; and Joseph R. Ficalora, President and Chief Executive Officer of New York Community Bancorp.

Please accept my best wishes for a joyous event and many more years of continued success.

Sincerely,

Kirsten Gillibrand
United States Senator
April 22, 2017

Maria Tamburri, Board Chair
National Organization of Italian American Women
25 West 43rd Street, Suite 1005
New York, NY  10036

Dear Friends:

Greetings to all those gathered this afternoon for the Annual Luncheon hosted by the National Organization of Italian American Women. Since 1980, NOIAW has worked to encourage the advancement of Italian American women, to fight prejudice and promote positive role models, and to celebrate and share the rich Italian heritage.

Congratulations are due to this year’s honorees: Dr. Vita Carulli Rabinowitz, Executive Vice Chancellor and University Provost, The City University of New York; Dr. Lori Ann Attivissimo, Senior Medical Director, Northwell Health Hospice and Home Care Network; and the 2017 Friend of NOIAW, Joseph Ficalora, President & CEO, New York Community Bancorp. Their outstanding leadership, service and accomplishments are truly worthy of your recognition.

Originally created by a handful of professional women in New York City, the National Organization of Italian American Women has grown considerably over the years and now operates primarily in four regions, greater New York, greater Washington DC, Rhode Island and Connecticut. Numerous cultural events, including plays, art exhibits, cooking demonstrations and author talks, bring members together to network and to relish Italian creativity. NOIAW also organizes an exchange program for young women from Italy and America. Nurturing the talents of the next generation is one of the group’s top priorities, as reflected in its scholarship and mentoring programs. The dedicated officers, board and members of the National Organization of Italian American Women are honoring cherished traditions and building solidarity among women.

Best wishes for a joyful celebration and continued success.

Sincerely,

Thomas P. DiNapoli
State Comptroller
April 22, 2017

Dear National Organization of Italian American Women:

Congratulations on your 36th Anniversary Luncheon! NOIAW is dedicated to the promotion of Italian American women and the preservation of Italian heritage, culture and language. The work of the NOIAW positively impacts the lives of Italian American women by advancing their interests in the workplace and beyond.

NOIAW and its honorees including Dr. Vita Carulli Rabinowitz, Executive Vice Chancellor and University Provost, The City University of New York and Dr. Lori Ann Attivissimo, Senior Medical Director, Northwell Health Hospice and Home Care Network are commendable for representing and promoting the interests of Italian American Women across the United States. Much like the founders of the NOIAW, who include Matilda Raffa Cuomo and US Congresswoman and first female Vice-Presidential Candidate Geraldine Ferraro, this year’s honorees are trailblazers in their respective fields.

It is with great pride that I congratulate the members of NOIAW and the honorees of the 36th Anniversary Luncheon for their commitment to promoting the lives of Italian American Women.

Sincerely,

Rebecca A. Seawright

REBECCA A. SEAWRIGHT
April 22, 2017

Dear Friends,

Greetings to everyone gathered here today at the National Organization of Italian American Women’s (NOIAW) 36th Anniversary Luncheon!

One of the things that makes our city such a remarkable place to live are the millions of immigrants, past and present, who have come here to build better lives for themselves and their families. Their hard work and culture, their struggles and triumphs, have helped to make New York one of the greatest, most diverse cities in the world.

That’s why we are fighting today to ensure that we remain a safe and welcoming place for all – so that future generations can continue to lay roots here and help make our city even more vibrant and stronger.

As they celebrate their annual luncheon today, I would like to thank NOIAW and its many talented and exceptional members for the critically important work that they are doing to help support the advancement of Italian American women of all ages in and beyond our five boroughs.

Congratulations as well to this year’s honorees.

I hope everyone has a wonderful time at this year’s luncheon. Enjoy!

Sincerely,

MELISSA MARK-VIVERITO
Speaker
April 22, 2017

Dear Friends:

I am pleased to congratulate the National Organization of Italian American Women on their Annual Luncheon!

Since 1980, the NOIAW has enriched our city by offering cultural exchange excursions, scholarship initiatives, and mentorship programs for Italian and Italian American women—all with the admirable goal of celebrating Italian heritage, culture, and language.

I join you in celebrating today’s honorees, Dr. Vita Carulli Rabinowitz, Executive Vice Chancellor and University Provost for The City University of New York and Dr. Lori Ann Attivissimo, Senior Medical Director for Northwell Health Hospice and Home Care Network.

On behalf of the Borough of Manhattan, I thank the National Organization of Italian American Women for their contributions to our city and wish you great success in the year ahead.

Sincerely,

Gale A. Brewer
April 22, 2017

National Organization of Italian-American Women
25 West 43rd Street, Suite 1005
New York, NY 10036

Dear Friends:

Congratulations on the occasion of your 36th Annual Luncheon, a time to reflect and be proud of all that the National Organization of Italian-American Women and its members have accomplished through the years.

This wonderful event highlights and celebrates the rich heritage and contributions of Italian-American women. Italian-American women have long been an important part of The Bronx, making vital cultural and economic contributions that have helped our borough’s resurgence, and helping to make New York City a great place.

Through the years, the National Organization of Italian-American Women has sought to advocate, promote, develop and celebrate Italian culture, arts, history and traditions through cultural programs, mentoring, scholarships and cultural exchange initiatives, helping preserve Italian heritage, culture and language in New York City and in The Bronx.

I offer my heartfelt congratulations to your honorees – Executive Vice Chancellor and University Provost for City University of New York Dr. Vita Carulli Rabinowitz and Senior Medical Director for Northwell Health Hospice and Home Care Network Dr. Lori Ann Attivissimo – for devoting countless hours working hard to help The Bronx’s Italian-American community flourish as our borough and our city continues to grow stronger.

On behalf of the 1.4 million residents of The Bronx, I salute the Council on National Organization of Italian-American Women and wish you continued success.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Ruben Diaz Jr.
April 22, 2017

National Organization of Italian American Women
25 West 43rd Street
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Dear Friends:

It is my distinct pleasure to extend my warmest greetings to the many generous supporters of The National Organization of Italian American Women on the occasion of your Annual Luncheon.

As Borough President, I take a great deal of pride in recognizing organizations that provide important cultural resources in the community. With its commitment to celebrate and preserve Italian heritage, culture and language, the National Organization of Italian American Women continues to advocate for its mission and beyond. On behalf of all Staten Islanders, I applaud your commitment and dedication to our community and city.

I would like to congratulate this year’s honorees, Dr. Vita Carulli Rabinowitz and Dr. Lori Ann Attivissimo.

On behalf of the people of the borough, congratulations and keep up the great work!

Very truly yours,

James S. Oddo
April 22, 2017

Dear Friends,

Please accept my warmest greetings and congratulations as you gather to celebrate the 36th Anniversary of the National Organization of Italian American Women. I am grateful for the opportunity to recognize the fine work of this organization and the 2017 Award Recipients.

The National Organization of Italian American Women has established a distinguished record of excellence, working diligently on behalf of causes and ideals, which uphold the principles of human decency and brotherhood.

This wonderful organization is deserving and worthy of the esteem of Nassau County for its selfless service to the community, which has made a permanent and positive impact on us all, and is to be commended for its outstanding contributions which enhanced numerous aspects of heritage, history, culture and achievements.

Furthermore, I would like to extend my best wishes and hearty congratulations to this afternoon’s honored guests, Dr. Vita Carulli Rabinowitz and Dr. Lori Ann Attivissimo, for their outstanding leadership and dedicated community service, and to all who have worked toward forwarding the goals of this fine organization throughout the year.

Sincerely,

Edward P. Mangano
County Executive
Congratulations and Best Wishes to:

LORI ANN ATTIVISSIMO, MD, FACP

On being honored by the National Organization of Italian American Women

All Our Love,
John Desmond, Ashley & Matthew Solowan
Donna, Roger, Andie & Michael Kleinman
Mom & Dad
Congratulations to HCN’s Medical Director

DR. LORI ATTIVISSIMO

In recognition of your life’s work and achievements.

Maureen Hinkelman and The Board and Staff of Hospice Care Network
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Lori Ann Attivissimo, MD, FACP
Joseph R. Ficalora

And their dedicated co-chairs,
Robyn Imbimbo
Mary Ann Mattone, RN/MPH

From your dear friends,
Linda and Gregory Galdi
Auguri!

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- Mentoring and networking opportunities
- Discount admission to all NOIAW cultural events
- Access to our scholarship and cultural exchange programs
THE MISSION of The National Organization of Italian American Women is:
to unite and connect women through Italian culture and heritage;
to celebrate the achievements of women of Italian ancestry;
to inspire and enrich members with shared interests in cultural programs;
and to empower and advance the educational and professional aspirations
of current and future generations.

NOIAW accomplishes its mission by strengthening ties among members
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of women of Italian heritage in the workplace and community; investing in
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