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Dear Friends,

Please accept my warmest greetings as you gather to celebrate Hofstra University's 27th Annual Gala. I am grateful for the opportunity to recognize the fine work of Hofstra University, its faculty, staff, administrators, supporters and this year's honoree on this wonderful occasion.

As New Yorkers and global citizens, we actively recognize the importance of improving the quality of higher education for all. Hofstra University has embodied this commitment wholeheartedly. Since its inception, Hofstra has provided a welcoming, challenging and enriching environment that fosters academic curiosity and a solid educational foundation in its students. With a strong record of academic excellence, superior resources and extensive community partnerships, the University has helped cultivate countless leaders of the next generation. It is through the generosity and support of everyone joining here today that Hofstra University is able to remain steadfast in its commitment to supporting the educational endeavors of today's students; therefore, I applaud you all.

Furthermore, I offer my sincerest congratulations to this year's distinguished honoree, **Katherine Gallo, PhD, MBA, RN, FAAN**. Currently, as Executive in Residence, Dr. Gallo is Northwell Health's senior physician. Dr. Gallo's transformational leadership led to the founding of the Center for Learning and Innovation, Northwell Health's corporate university, and the Patient Safety Institute. Along with being a pioneer in healthcare, Dr. Gallo is also an esteemed educator and is the founding dean of the Hofstra Northwell School of Nursing and Physician Assistant Studies. As a respected leader in the medical community, I applaud Dr. Gallo for his many achievements and thank him for his invaluable contributions and devoted service to Hofstra University and greater Long Island.

On behalf of all New Yorkers, thank you all for your hard work. I know that Hofstra University will continue to serve New Yorkers and our nation for many years to come. Best wishes for a successful event.

Sincerely,

Charles E. Schumer United States Senator