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Dear Friends:

I join you in commemorating Hofstra University's annual Gala. This year, we recognize Dr. Kathleen Gallo, the founding Dean and Professor for the Hofstra Northwell School of Nursing and Physician Assistant Studies and Executive in Residence for Northwell Health.

Dr. Kathleen Gallo has been a transformational leader at Hofstra University, helping to create a program fit and ready to prepare the world's future leaders and innovators in healthcare. Formerly serving as Northwell Health's Executive Vice President and Chief Learning Officer, Dr. Gallo transitioned to Northwell Health's Executive in Residence. As the founding Dean of the Hofstra Northwell School of Nursing and Physician Assistant Studies, Dr. Gallo has made substantial growth in a program so desperately needed and appreciated. Dr. Gallo's program focuses on treating people, not illness, all while students receive a holistic yet professional curriculum.

Dr. Gallo has notably been the recipient of impressive awards, some of which include the 2005 Distinguished Alumni Award from the State University of New York at Stony Brook; being named by the 2018 Crain's New York Business's Notable Women in Healthcare; and being a noted author and speaker advocating for the prioritization of patient safety for all healthcare professionals.

The annual Gala is Hofstra's largest yearly event, and raises significant funds for their Endowed Scholarship Program, which aids their mission in providing a top-quality education for all their students. Your presence here tonight helps the University in their future endeavors which will benefit their students and our community.

I would like to commend the work of Dr. Kathleen Gallo and recognize her success and the wonderful contributions she has given to the Hofstra community, in helping to prepare tomorrow's leaders and upholding Hofstra's standard of excellence.

Best wishes to all for an enjoyable evening, and a bright future!

Sincerely,

Assemblyman Ed Ra