



Department for  
the Aging

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Dear Friends:

I am pleased to congratulate Riverstone Senior Life Services, Inc., on its 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala celebration. The New York City Department for the Aging is proud to continue its support of Riverstone, and its mission to provide vital, and at times, lifesaving social services to older adults in the Washington Heights/Inwood area for 30+ years.

Created in 1985, Riverstone (then Fort Washington Houses Services for the Elderly) was given space in the newly opened New York City Housing Authority senior apartments at 99 Fort Washington, to provide lunch, educational and recreational activities, and social services to senior residents and to the broader community.

In 30 years the agency has evolved into what it is today, providing such programs as its Memory Center, a social adult day program for people experiencing memory loss; Open Door, a day program for older persons with a developmental disability; a Senior Center that provides hot lunches, educational and social programs; casework assistance; and its Social Services program, which since 1999 has helped more than 10,000 seniors who are at risk because of self-neglect, abuse, physical or mental frailty.

My very best congratulations go to Ilana Dunner, Executive Director at Riverstone, to its Board of Directors, and to its staff for reaching this impressive milestone. In addition, I wish to send all of my best wishes to today's honorees, Julio Batista, Molly Michels and Steve Simon, for their exemplary work in public service.

DFTA is honored to acknowledge Riverstone, and wishes everyone a happy celebration and continued success in the years to come.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Donna M. Corrado".

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