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Dear Friends,

It is my great pleasure to welcome you all to Urban Health Plan's Annual Benefit Gala. Today, we celebrate the remarkable legacy of Dr. Richard Izquierdo who turned 90 this year. Throughout his life, Dr. Izquierdo has been guided by the principle of serving his community. Beginning with his first clinic on Southern Boulevard, which would later grow into Urban Health Plan, Dr. Izquierdo has worked to bring healthcare to underserved neighborhoods. Now in its 45th year, Urban Health Plan serves more than 87,000 New Yorkers in the Bronx, Manhattan, and Queens, fulfilling Dr. Izquierdo's original goal in communities across New York City. Dr. Izquierdo and the work of Urban Health Plan, should inspire us all to find ways to serve our own communities, as they have.

I would also like to congratulate tonight's honorees Angela Fernandez, Commissioner of the Division of Human Rights, eClincialWorks, an innovative healthcare IT company, and the Montefiore Health Systems for their commitment, healthcare and philanthropy to the communities we serve.

Best wishes for the event and many more years of Urban Health Plan's service to New York.

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Alessandra Biaggi". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Alessandra Biaggi
New York State Senator, District 34