

THE CITY OF NEW YORK OFFICE OF THE MAYOR NEW YORK, NY 10007

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Dear Friends:

It is a great pleasure to welcome everyone to Nomi Network's 2013 Cocktail and Awards Ceremony: Made for a Better Life.

Our Administration has worked hard to bring human trafficking out of the shadows, and thanks to our "Let's End Human Trafficking" campaign, we have helped to raise awareness of the exploitation, coercion, and violence that the victims of this horrible crime are made to suffer. Since its founding in 2009, Nomi Network has supported survivors and women at risk of human trafficking by providing them with training and job opportunities that allow them to achieve financial independence. We applaud this organization and all those associated with it for helping victims put their lives back together, and we join all those gathered here tonight in looking forward to a future in which no woman is exploited or deprived of her freedoms.

On behalf of all New Yorkers, congratulations to Ambassador Swanee Hunt, who is receiving the Nomi Network Abolitionist Award for her exemplary leadership in the fight against human trafficking, and to Jean Baderschneider, this year's Nomi Network Corporate Social Responsibility Award recipient. Please accept my best wishes for a meaningful ceremony and continued success.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Bloomberg

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