

KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND
NEW YORK



UNITED STATES SENATOR

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Dear Friends,

I am pleased to have the opportunity to send greetings to each of you attending the New Beginnings Community Center's Veterans Day Gala. I would like to take this opportunity to join my voice with yours in honoring Al Barone for his strength and fortitude. I would also like to commend Alyson Scerri, the founder of New Beginnings, for working to provide those with traumatic brain injuries a place to receive rehabilitation and support.

I am grateful to our nation's veterans for their valor, strength of spirit, and commitment. With a sense of duty and faith to our country, they have protected the life and liberty of all Americans. I appreciate the need for a facility where individuals and their families who experience a traumatic brain injury can be cared for and their questions can be answered. New Beginnings is a cutting edge facility that is able to address the needs of those suffering from a traumatic brain injury and, with your help, will have the capacity to serve the Long Island community.

I send my congratulations to tonight's honoree and my best wishes to each of you for a wonderful and successful event.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kirsten E. Gillibrand". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kirsten E. Gillibrand
United States Senator