

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

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Mr Riccardo LoFaro President PrimiDieci Society 152 W 36th Street Suite 504 New York, NY 10018

Dear Mr LoFaro:

I am delighted to extend greetings to the honorees of PrimiDieci USA 2018.

New York would not be the diverse and dynamic city it is today without the tremendous influence of Italian immigrants. Our thriving population of Italian New Yorkers has shaped and fortified every facet of the five boroughs, with many serving as leaders in the fields of business, education, medicine, government, sports, technology, the arts, and more. Through its annual awards program and books, the PrimiDieci Society recognizes the extraordinary imprint people of Italian descent have made on New York and on the world, as well as the many ways they continue to enrich our great city and country. As a proud Italian American, I am grateful to the Society for its efforts to celebrate the impressive contributions of this vital community and inspire the next generation to achieve their goals. Together, we will ensure New York remains a global hub of innovation and opportunity for people of all backgrounds.

On behalf of the City of New York, congratulations to this year's honorees. Please accept my best wishes for continued success.

Sincerely,

Bill de Blasio

Mayor