**Innovative Speakers Wow Crowd at Annual Pattern’s Housing Awards**

**Pattern’s Progress - MEET THE BOARD**

**Pattern Announces Exciting Lineup for Annual Reception on November 8**

**NFL Great Boomer Esiason, Sports Journalist Bonnie Bernstein, and Broadway Star Syndee Winters to Join Event Honoring Ulster County Exec. Mike Hein, Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther will be honored for their successful efforts to bring an expansion of the New York State film tax credit to the counties of the Mid-Hudson Valley. Expansion of the credit has sparked a surge in film productions, creating jobs and boosting the local economy. Ed Harrison, the General Manager of Stewart Airport, will be honored for his pioneering leadership of the Hudson Valley’s airport which has added new international carriers, and seen a surge in passengers under his leadership.**

Individual tickets to the reception are available for $165 for Pattern Members and $190 for non. Table discounts and sponsorships are also available. For more information and to RSVP, contact Robin DeCatrian at info@patternprogress.org, or call 845-494-4580.

**Bomber Esiason, the former NFL star quarterback and successful sports radio host, will be the featured guest at Pattern for Progress' Annual Reception, on Wednesday, November 8 at Anthony's Pier 9 in New Windsor. Esiason, who enjoyed a 14-year career in the NFL as a quarterback for the Bengals, Jets, and Cardinals, and since retirement has become a national figure in the fight against cystic fibrosis, will be on hand to celebrate Pattern's 52nd Anniversary. Tickets, and advertising and sponsorship opportunities for this exciting annual event are still available.**

Bonnie Bernstein is a legend in the New York sports world and for supporting charitable organizations, and we are excited to have her back as the keynote speaker at our annual Pattern for Progress event. Bernstein is known for her sports reporting and interviewing him at Pattern's reception will be sports journalist Syndee Winters, who has covered MLB, NFL, NBA, and NCAA football games for ESPN, ABC, and CBS. Musical entertainment will be provided by Broadway singer Sydne Winters, who will be on hand to celebrate her birthday, and was most recently seen as the wildly popular musical Hamilton, as well as on Law & Order: SVU.**

**Why have you chosen to support Pattern for Progress?**

**Larry Wolinsky**

Partner, Jacobsen and Cabin, LLP

I have a long-standing relationship with the Hudson Valley and its people and businesses. I have always believed that civic engagement is critical to the well-being of any community. As a lawyer, I have represented a wide range of clients, including businesses, municipalities, and non-profits. I have also served on the Board of Directors of several organizations, including the Hudson Valley Economic Development Corporation. I believe in the importance of_pattern's work and am proud to support it.

**Moca Santamaria**

Vice Pres., Diversity & Community Engagement, Jonathan Rose Companies

In choosing to support Pattern for Progress, I am supporting an organization that is committed to making the Hudson Valley a place where people can succeed and thrive. Pattern's work is focused on creating opportunities for all residents, regardless of background or circumstance. I believe in the importance of community development and am proud to support an organization that is making a difference in the Hudson Valley.

**How does your business help quality of life in the valley?**

**Joey Czajka**

Executive Director, MHC Health - Hudson Valley

My business, MHC Health, is focused on improving the health of the people we serve in the Hudson Valley. We provide health care services and related supports to all of the communities we serve. We employ over 12,000 people, and in 2022, we expanded our services to include home health care. Our goal is to improve the health and well-being of our communities, and I am proud to support Pattern for Progress in its work to improve the quality of life in the Hudson Valley.

**What new initiative helped your business grow in the past year?**

**Irene Green**

Executive Director, Health at Home of Ulster

One initiative that helped our business grow in the past year was the expansion of our services to include home health care. We have seen a significant increase in demand for these services, and I believe that this is a trend that will continue in the future. With more people working from home and living in rural areas, there is a growing need for home health care services.

**What does your business do to support the arts in the Hudson Valley?**

**Diane Yentel**

CEO, National Low Income Housing Coalition

I am not aware of any specific arts-related initiatives that my business has undertaken in the Hudson Valley. However, I believe that it is important for businesses to support the arts in their communities, as the arts have a positive impact on the quality of life and economic development. As a member of the Hudson Valley community, I am proud to support Pattern for Progress and its work to improve the quality of life in the Hudson Valley.

**Where do you see your business in five years?**

**Chris Kehoe**

President, Kehoe Development

I believe that my business will continue to grow and thrive in the Hudson Valley in the future. We have a strong track record of success in the region and I expect that we will continue to be successful in the years to come. I am excited about the opportunities that the future holds and I look forward to continuing to support the Hudson Valley community through my business.

**How does your business help quality of life in the valley?**

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Our business is focused on improving the quality of life for people who live in low-income housing. We believe that everyone deserves to live in a safe, stable, and affordable home. By providing affordable housing, we are able to improve the quality of life for individuals and families in the Hudson Valley.

**What new initiative helped your business grow in the past year?**

**Diane Yentel**

CEO, National Low Income Housing Coalition

I am not aware of any specific initiatives that have helped our business grow in the past year. However, I believe that the recent increase in demand for affordable housing has been a positive trend for our business. We are proud to be able to support the needs of the people in the Hudson Valley.

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