



*Helping Restore Ability*

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Mr. John Dycus  
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Dear John:

It is clear to see why Jim Hayes wanted you included in a significant way in our *Celebration HRA! 2000* last month. You are a hero to him and a dear friend and hero to HRA and our clients. Thank you so much for lending your eloquence, support, and creativity to insure the grand success of the evening. I only regret that the sound system prevented a large part of the room from hearing your comments. They missed so much! Beyond that, I hope you enjoyed your part in the evening's celebration as much as we did.

Even though not all funds are fully tallied, it looks as though we cleared roughly \$16,000! That figure translates into 1,600 hours of personal assistance care for HRA's clients and means they are better able to contribute to the economy and provides a significantly higher quality of life for them.

Next year's *Celebration HRA!* is set for October 19, and we look forward to sharing with you the opportunity to be part of it again. Along those lines, we would like very much to get your candid review of this year's gala, and to that end we are enclosing an evaluation sheet. Please complete and return it to us so that we can know your suggestions on how to make it even better. Please let us know if you would like to have extra copies of the evening's souvenir book, honoring Jim Hayes as our "Man of the Year," and commemorating HRA's 23-year history and the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

John, as you know, you hold a very special place in my heart. You've been so much more than an advisor and mentor. You have indeed been a friend, and I appreciate the open opportunity to knock ideas around with you. There cannot be enough thanks, but I do thank you so very much.

Very sincerely yours,

Bonnie Chism  
Development Director

Enclosures: Evaluation form & Reply envelope; Media clippings; Donation receipt

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