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**CELEBRITIES & VIPS ATTEND
THE 15TH ANNUAL WOMEN WHO CARE AWARDS LUNCHEON
BENEFITING
UNITED CEREBRAL PALSY OF NEW YORK CITY
HOSTED BY SUSAN LUCCI & LIZA HUBER
HONORING BEVERLY BOND, DEBORAH NORVILLE,
ELLYN SHOOK, JENNY LONG, AND NORTHWELL HEALTH**

***Over 500 People Attended this New York Tradition to Celebrate
the Accomplishments of Extraordinary Women
as Caregivers, Philanthropists & Professionals***

NEW YORK, NEW YORK (May 12, 2016) – The 15th Annual *Women Who Care* Luncheon benefiting **United Cerebral Palsy of New York City UCP of NYC** was held **Monday, May 9th** at **Cipriani 42nd Street**. The sold-out event celebrated the extraordinary accomplishments of women as professionals, caregivers and philanthropists. In its fifteen years, *Women Who Care* has raised nearly \$8 million to fund programs and services offered by UCP of NYC to over 14,000 children and adults with disabilities throughout New York City.

The 2016 Women Who Care leadership included: (All in Attendance)

Loreen Arbus – Producer, Disability Rights Activist and Founder/Chair of *Women Who Care*.

Susan Lucci – Emmy® Award-winning star of the hit series **Devious Maids**, *New York Times* best-selling author, former *Women Who Care* Honoree and returning Co-Host of *Women Who Care*.

Liza Huber – Founder & CEO of Sage Spoonfuls and Co-Host of *Women Who Care*.

Tamsen Fadal – Eight-time Emmy® winning journalist, author, co-anchor of **PIX 11 News** at 5:00 p.m. & 10:00 p.m, and Co-Chair of *Women Who Care*.

Donna Hanover – Former First Lady of New York City, author, television personality, and Co-Chair of *Women Who Care*.

Ali Stroker – Of **Glee** and **Glee Project** fame, first performer in a wheelchair to appear on Broadway, and Co-Chair of *Women Who Care*.

Paula Zahn – Nine-time Emmy® Award-winning host of **On The Case With Paula Zahn** and Co-Chair of *Women Who Care*.

Frank A. Bennack Jr. – Executive Vice Chairman of Hearst, and Honorary Chair of this year's *Women Who Care*.

Highlights of this year's **Women Who Care** event included honoree award presentations:

Beverly Bond – **BLACK GIRLS ROCK!™** founder and CEO, TV producer, DJ and social innovator, was presented the ***Women Who Care Award*** by:

Soledad O'Brien – Peabody and Emmy Award-winning journalist and TV anchor, producer and CEO of Starfish Media Group.

Deborah Norville – *Inside Edition* anchor, two-time Emmy® winning journalist and *New York Times* best-selling author, was presented the ***Luella Bennack Philanthropy Award*** by:

Dennis Basso – Award-winning fashion designer.

Ellyn Shook – Accenture chief leadership & human resources officer, was presented the *Women in Business Award* by:

Paula Zahn – Nine-time Emmy® Award-winning host of *On The Case With Paula Zahn* and Co-Chair of Co-Chair of *Women Who Care*.

Jenny Long – Author of the best-selling book *Expect a Miracle*, was presented the *Karen Hansen Caregiver Award* by:

Judith Light – Emmy®, Golden Globe & two-time Tony Award-winning star of the hit series *Transparent* and 2014 Women Who Care Honoree.

Northwell Health were presented the *Corporate Commitment to Caring Award* by:

Edward R. Matthews – CEO of United Cerebral Palsy of New York City.

Loreen Arbus - Women Who Care Founder/Chair was given a special tribute by:

Frank A. Bennack Jr., Executive Vice Chairman of Hearst and Honorary Chair of Women Who Care.

VIP Guests attending the 2016 Women Who Care Luncheon included:

Mike Woods, Meteorologist, Fox 5's Good Day New York; **Teresa Priolo**, Reporter, Fox 5 News & Good Day New York; **Steve Lacy**, Anchor, Fox 5 News; **Ines Rosales**, Traffic Reporter on FOX 5's Good Day New York; **Maysoon Zayid**, comedian, disability rights activist and former Women Who Care Honoree; **Isiah Whitlock Jr.**, star of *The Wire* and co-star of *Veep*; **Sheetal Sheth**, award-winning actor, producer and humanitarian; **Caroline Tehrani**, Host of HuffPost Live; **Herb Hamsher**, President, TAO Management & Tetrahedron Productions; **Rich Graziano**, President and General Manager, WPIX; **Lew Leone**, Vice President and General Manager, WNYW-FOX 5 and WWOR-My9, FOX Television Stations' New York; **Lamar Goering**, Executive Producer, Good Day New York; **Amy Waldman**, News Director PIX 11 News; **Lauren Nowell**,

Executive Vice-President Communications, CBS TV; **Camilla Barungi**, model, entrepreneur and activist of *Project Runway* fame; **Sheila Lennon**, SVP Marketing and Development, United Cerebral Palsy of New York City; **Dr. Danielle Sheypuck**, former Ms Wheelchair USA; **Carrie Hammer**, fashion designer; **David Aaron Carpenter**, prize-winning violinist; **Wendy Diamond**, Founder and CEO of Women's Entrepreneurship Day; **Christopher Laul**, Senior Principal at HOK.

Former Women Who Care Honorees who attended include:

Susan Lucci, Judith Light, Terrie Williams, Joan Jedell, Maysoon Zayid, Maureen Lippe, Marie Wilson, Joan Ann Natola, Francine Le Frak.

Hearst Corporation, a long-time major sponsor for UCP of NYC, and the **Loreen Arbus Foundation**, were the **Presenting Sponsors** of this year's luncheon.

Additional Key **Women Who Care Sponsors** included:

21st Century Fox; The Alfred Mann Foundation; Northwell Health; Colliers International LLC; The Heffernan Group; Accenture; HOK; Katrina Peebles; Bella Bus Corporation; Cauldwell Wingate Company LLC; Denise Rich; Merrill Lynch; Cerebral Palsy Foundation; Consolidated Bus Transit; Edward R. Matthews; Houda & Jim Foster; The Carpenter Family; EmblemHealth; Goldman Sachs; J.P. Morgan; Lightpath; L'Oréal Luxe; MetLife; Multilingual Therapy Associates Inc.; Putney, Twombly, Hall & Hirshon LLP; The Sexton Family; Holly Toplitsky; Maysoon Zayid.

Worldwide Press Coverage:

This year's **Women Who Care Luncheon** generated worldwide press coverage from major national and local media including: **Inside Edition, People Magazine, Good Day New York, Good Day Wake Up, Fox 5 News, PIX 11 News, Huff Post Live, The Huffington Post, Closer Magazine, Look to the Stars, Mogul.com, Broadwayworld.com, Black Tie Magazine,**

Mogul.com, and many other major media outlets. The top photo agencies sent photographers including: **Getty Images, WireImage, Globe Photos, Film Magic, SIPA, Corbis, ABA Photo, WENN, imageSPACE**, and several other agencies.

About Women Who Care

Women Who Care was created to benefit UCP of NYC by honoring female role models representing various segments of the community. It is a celebration of women who have deep concern for others, are passionately committed to giving back and whose extraordinary accomplishments and great character have inspired women around the world to achieve their full potential. The Women Who Care Awards Luncheon is a New York tradition and has generated global media attention in previous years. This year marks the 15th Anniversary of this special event that has raised nearly \$8 million for children and adults with cerebral palsy and other developmental disabilities throughout New York City. Hearst Corporation is the presenting sponsor of *Women Who Care* for the sixth year in a row.

About United Cerebral Palsy of New York City

United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) is the fifth largest U.S. health organization. In New York City, UCP of NYC is a leading nonprofit provider of direct services, technology, and advocacy to children and adults with cerebral palsy and other disabilities. UCP of NYC offers a breadth of more than 75 comprehensive programs including medical, clinical, educational, technological, residential, and rehabilitative services to over 14,000 individuals and families annually throughout New York City. The mission of United Cerebral Palsy of New York City is to create opportunities for people with disabilities to lead independent and fulfilling lives. www.ucpnyc.org

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