

The New York Young Republican Club

Record

Letter from the Treasurer:



Good evening everyone! On behalf of our Board of Governors, I thank you for sharing this beautiful and historic evening with us. As Treasurer, I proudly welcome you to celebrate the Club's tremendous success in 2022 at our preeminent event.

111 years ago, President William Howard Taft, the thensitting President of the United States, was the Guest of Honor at our Inaugural Annual Gala. It not only demonstrates the true authenticity of this special evening, but highlights the strides our Club has taken to preserve our history and its place in New York City and State history. At a time when radical Progressives aim to smear and erase our great Nation's history, we instead seek inspiration from it. This is why, in March, we adopted the following motto: UBI HISTORIA PARTIS FUTURO, or, Where the Party's History Meets its Future. Our motto reminds us to remember the past and its lessons, with an eye toward the future of our Club, City, and Country.

This year, we lived our motto by fighting for the success of New York State when we, along with generous donors Patrick and Patricia Duval and others, backed President Gavin Wax in his lawsuit against Governor Kathy Hochul and the grossly unconstitutional and gerrymandered State Assembly map she approved earlier in the year. Additionally, we supported many of our members in their successful election and re-election to Congress and State Assembly, and we congratulate them tonight. The Red Wave may have fizzled in some parts of the country, but not here in Deep Blue New York!

Our membership comes in all forms-from foreign and domestic elected officials to new college graduates and everyone in between. If this is your first Gala or Club event, I encourage you to get involved in one of our committees, attend every event you can, and come with an open mind. I joined the Club two weeks before the 2020 "Forbidden Gala". After seeing the news of this Gala plastered across social media, I felt compelled to meet this group of fearless, young patriots. Before I knew it, these people became my family here in New York. Despite coming from disparate demographics, industries, hometowns and upbringings, we have established a community unified by our shared conservative values. That makes us truly special, and, I believe, makes our Club feel more like a family than a political or social club.

The role of Treasurer comes with its challenges, but, with a base of nearly 1,100 members, countless generous donors, and a hard-working team of Governors and Officers surrounding me, it has been a pleasure to serve in this role. Planning this Gala is no small feat, but, when we received our first significant donation from Dutchess County Legislator Benjamin Geller, I knew this event was oriented toward success. Thank you again, Ben, and all of our amazing sponsors!

Most importantly, thank you, dear guest, for coming! Now, let's give Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene, Donald Trump Jr., and Jack Posobiec a warm New York welcome!

Claire E. Walsh Treasurer

New York Young Republican Club

Speakers

Marjorie Taylor Greene

Marjorie Taylor Greene is a mother and Christian nationalist patriot representing Georgia's fourteenth Congressional district in Washington, DC. Representative Taylor Greene is a member of the Freedom Caucus, which is the most conservative faction of the Republican Party in the U.S. House of Representatives. The Caucus staunchly supported President Donald J. Trump throughout his tenure and the 2020 election, as well as a full America First agenda. Taylor Greene embodies all aspects of the Freedom Caucus and America First and will fight in Congress to maintain election integrity, strong borders, no involvement in foreign wars, and to protect the sanctity of life in the womb.





Donald J. Trump Jr.

Donald J. Trump Jr. is an American political activist, father of five, businessman, author, and the eldest son of 45th President of the United States, Donald J. Trump. Prior to getting into politics, he was and currently still is an Executive Vice President of The Trump Organization, and was a board member on the hit NBC TV show, *The Apprentice*. Mr. Trump Jr. has steadfastly stood by his father on both his campaigns, especially 2020, and throughout his Presidency. Fighting to make sure we have free and fair elections, Donald Jr. will not stop until Americans see his father reinstated back into the White House and is sitting in the Oval Office in 2024, so that we can Make America Great Again!

Jack M. Posobiec

Jack M. Posobiec is the Senior Editor of Human Events, an American conservative political news and analysis source, as well as the Host of Human Events Daily with Turning Point USA. He is a veteran Navy Intelligence Officer and Mandarin speaker who focuses on the Chinese Communist Party and is a Lincoln Fellow at the Claremont Institute. Formally a political correspondent and on-air personality at One America News Network (OANN), Posobiec is delivering the real news to all Americans to counter the fake news from the mainstream media. As a private citizen he is fighting everyday to aide and support an America First agenda.



Award Recipients

The Stanley M. Isaacs Award

Presented to

Haley R. Hasho

The John Marshall Harlan II Award

Presented to

Patrick W. Duval & Patricia Duval

The Nelson A. Rockefeller Award

Presented to

David P. Goodside

The Herbert Brownell Jr. Award

Presented to

Florent Charpin

The Thomas E. Dewey Award

Presented to

Alexander F. deGrasse

The Theodore Roosevelt Jr. Award

Presented to

Cory L. Mills

The Frederic René Coudert Jr. Award

Presented to

Raheem J. Kassam

The John Foster Dulles Award

Presented to

Hon. Szabolcs Takács on behalf of Prime Minister Viktor Orbán

The Phillip J. McCook Award

Presented to

Hon. Janez Janša

The Allen W. Dulles Award

Presented to

Jack M. Posobiec

The Richard M. Nixon Award

Presented to

Hon. Marjorie Taylor Greene

Club Awards

Since 1962, the **Stanley M. Isaacs Award** has been presented to a non-board Club member who has made the most important contributions to the Club in the last year in the opinion of the Board of Governors. Stanley M. Isaacs (1882-1962), who served as Manhattan Borough President from 1938-1941, and Minority Leader of the City Council at the time of his death, made a lifetime commitment to supporting the Club and its endeavors. It is this legacy of service to the Club that future award recipients shall be measured against.

The John Marshall Harlan II Award is presented to a member of the community at large who goes to great lengths to assist the Club in fulfilling its mission. John Marshall Harlan II (1899-1971) was a former member of the Club and an American lawyer and jurist who served as an Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court from 1955 to 1971. Harlan is often characterized as a member of the conservative wing of the Warren Court. He advocated a limited role for the judiciary, remarking that the Supreme Court should not be considered "a general haven for reform movements." In general, Harlan adhered more closely to precedent and was more reluctant to overturn legislation than many of his colleagues on the Court. He strongly disagreed with the doctrine of incorporation, which held that the provisions of the federal Bill of Rights applied to the state governments. At the same time, he advocated a broad interpretation of the Fourteenth Amendment's Due Process Clause, arguing that it protected a wide range of rights not expressly mentioned in the United States Constitution. Harlan is sometimes called the "great dissenter" of the Warren Court and has been described as one of the most influential Supreme Court justices of the twentieth century.

The **Nelson A. Rockefeller Award** is presented to a member of the community at large who, in the spirit of the former Club member, New York Governor, and the United States Vice President, goes to great lengths to assist the New York Young Republican Club in fulfilling its mission. Nelson A. Rockefeller (1908–1979) served as Governor of New York State from 1959 to 1973 and Vice President of the United States from 1974 to 1977. Throughout his distinguished career, "Rocky", as Club members affectionately referred to him, aided the Club in innumerable ways. Only a person of such generosity may fittingly receive this award.

The **Herbert Brownell Jr. Award** goes to a Club alumnus or Associate Member that best embodies the spirit of Herbert Brownell Jr. (1904-1996). Brownell served as a member of the New York Assembly for five years, Chairman of the Republican National Committee, manager of Governor Thomas E. Dewey's Presidential Campaign, and United States Attorney General under President Eisenhower for seven years. His example of service to both country and party has served as a standard to which we all aspire. Fittingly, this award winner must demonstrate a lifetime of achievement and dedication to both nation and party.

The Thomas E. Dewey Award is bestowed upon an individual whose exemplary service in government best embodies the spirit and dedication to the Republican Party. Thomas E. Dewey (1902-1971) was an American lawyer, prosecutor, and politician. Dewey served as the Chairman of the New York Young Republican Club's Board of Governors from 1931 to 1932. He served as the 47th governor of New York from 1943 to 1954. In 1944, he won the Republican Party's nomination for president but lost the election to incumbent Franklin D. Roosevelt in the closest of Roosevelt's four presidential elections. He again served as the Republican presidential nominee in 1948 but lost to Harry S. Truman in one of the greatest upsets in presidential election history. Dewey played a large role in winning the Republican presidential nomination for Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1952 and also helped Eisenhower win the presidential election that year. He was instrumental in the selection of Richard M. Nixon as the Republican vice-presidential nominee in 1952 and 1956. As a New York City prosecutor and District Attorney in the 1930s and early 1940s, Dewey relentlessly south to curb the power of the American mafia and of organized crime in general. Most famously, he successfully prosecuted Mafioso kingpin Charles "Lucky" Luciano on charges of forced prostitution in 1936. Luciano was given a 30- to 50-year prison sentence. Dewey also prosecuted and convicted Waxey Gordon, another prominent New York City gangster, and bootlegger, on charges of tax evasion. Dewey almost succeeded in apprehending Jewish mobster Dutch Schultz as well, but Schultz was murdered in 1935 in a hit ordered by The Commission itself; he had disobeyed The Commission's order forbidding him from making an attempt on Dewey's life.

The **Theodore Roosevelt Jr.** Award is presented to a Republican candidate who has displayed the highest leadership qualities and character within the Republican Party in prior or current election cycles. Theodore Roosevelt Jr. (1887–1944) was an American government, business, and military leader. He was the eldest son of President Theodore Roosevelt and First Lady Edith Roosevelt. Roosevelt is known for his World War II service, including the direction of troops at Utah Beach during the Normandy landings. For his service at Normandy, Roosevelt received the Medal of Honor. He was the first non-founding Club member to be elected to higher office as a member of the New York State Assembly (Nassau County, 2nd D.) in 1920. In the 1924 New York State election, Roosevelt was the Republican nominee for Governor of New York. In addition, he served as Assistant Secretary of the Navy (1921–1924), Governor of Puerto Rico (1929–1932), and Governor-General of the Philippines (1932–1933).

The **Frederic René Coudert Jr. Award** goes to an individual that best embodies the conservative spirit of Frederic René Coudert Jr. (1898-1972). Coudert was a member of the New York State Senate from 1939 to 1946, sitting in the 162nd, 163rd, 164th, and 165th New York State Legislatures. Between 1940 and 1942, he helped lead the Rapp-Coudert Committee, which sought to identify the extent of communist influence in the public education system of the state of New York. Its inquiries lead to the dismissal of more than 40 instructors and staff members at the City College of New York. He was elected as a Republican to the 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, 84th, and 85th United States Congresses, holding office from January 3, 1947, to January 3, 1959. Coudert was an outspoken conservative and endorsed William F. Buckley's 1965 Conservative campaign for the New York City mayoralty over liberal Republican Congressman and fellow New York Young Republican Club alumnus John Lindsay.

The John Foster Dulles Award goes to an individual that best embodies the anti-Communist spirit of John Foster Dulles (1888-1959). Dulles served as United States Secretary of State under President Dwight D. Eisenhower from 1953 to 1959. He was a significant figure in the early Cold War era, advocating an aggressive stance against communism throughout the world, believing it was "Godless terrorism." Club alumnus, New York Governor Thomas E. Dewey appointed Dulles to the United States Senate to replace Democratic incumbent Robert F. Wagner, who had resigned due to ill health. Dulles served from July 7 to November 8, 1949. He lost the 1949 special election to finish the term to Democratic nominee Herbert H. Lehman.

Since 1947, the Phillip J. McCook Award (previously known as the Civic Service Award, the War Memorial Award, and the New York Young Republican Club Award) has been given to a person in the community at large that best embodies the spirit and mission of the New York Young Republican Club, who exemplifies the fundamental ideals of Republicanism, such as liberty and individual responsibility, and who has demonstrated a dedication and service to both the Republican Party and society. Phillip J. McCook (1873-1963) was one of the Club's original 32 founders and its first president, serving from 1911 to 1914. In 1919 he was elected to the Supreme Court in New York. In 1930 he was appointed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt to preside over the Ewald Healy job-buying inquiry, which eventually led to the famed Seabury investigation and a public airing of the corruption in Tammany politics in the Democratic party in New York City. Judge McCook came from a family with a reputation for bravery in combat. A family often called the "fighting McCooks." His family had 15 men wearing Union Army uniform during the Civil War, and Judge McCook had the unusual distinction of having served in the U.S. Army in three wars. He was an infantry corporal in the Spanish-American War, an infantry major in World War I, and a colonel in the Judge Advocate General's Corps in World War II. He was wounded during World War I at the Meuse and was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross.

The **Allen W. Dulles Award** goes to an individual who embodies the virulent anti-Marxist spirit of Allen W. Dulles (1893-1969). Dulles was the first civilian Director of Central Intelligence (DCI) and its longest-serving director to date. In the 1948 Presidential election, Dulles served as an advisor to former Club Chairman and Republican nominee Thomas E. Dewey. He championed the Eisenhower Administration's New Look strategy and, as head of the Central Intelligence Agency, he established global intelligence networks to identify and counter communist efforts. In addition, he oversaw the 1953 Iranian coup d'état, the 1954 Guatemalan coup d'état, and the Lockheed U-2 aircraft program.

The Richard M. Nixon Award is given to a citizen who exemplifies the fundamental ideals of Americanism. Richard M. Nixon (January 9, 1913 – April 22, 1994) was the 37th President of the United States, serving from 1969 to 1974 and thereby obtaining the highest political rank of any New York Young Republican Club alumnus. Earlier in his political career, Nixon served as a Representative and Senator from California and as the 36th Vice President of the United States from 1953 to 1961 under President Dwight D. Eisenhower. Nixon's five years in the White House saw the reduction of U.S. involvement in the Vietnam Conflict, détente with the Soviet Union and China, the first manned Moon landings, and the ratification of the 26th Amendment to the United States Constitution. Between his service as Vice President and President, Nixon moved to New York City, where he joined the New York Young Republican Club. The Club supported Nixon's 1968 presidential campaign; it created and sold collectible silver and bronze coins featuring profiles of his and Spiro T. Agnew's faces to raise funds used to support his campaign. Nixon went on to appoint Club members to positions in the federal government, including Kenneth B. Keating as United States Ambassador to Israel, Russell E. Train as Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, and Rita E. Hauser as the United States Ambassador to the United Nations Commission on Human Rights. The Club awarded Richard M. Nixon its Phillip J. McCook Award in 1960.

Member Spotlights

Joanna A. Estanislao

Born and raised in the Southern California desert, Joanna Estanislao began her love for politics by reading "End The Fed" by Dr. Ron Paul. She received her B.S. in Finance from St. John's University in Queens. She currently lives in Brooklyn, but moved back to the west coast when the COVID-19 pandemic began. This sparked a severe call to action that led her back to the teachings of Dr. Ron Paul.

In 2020, during the height of the pandemic, she served as an election coordinator for Young Americans for Liberty where she traveled through Wyoming and Arizona, where her team of six won the AAPC Regional West Gold Award for their NV D-10 State Assembly campaign. Since then, she has helped canvass for the "Recall Gavin Newson" effort in San Diego and interned for Mayra Flores' finance & opposition team.



She discovered the New York Young Republican Club at CPAC 2021, when she was no longer living in New York. Having left New York City in her final semester of college, she never expected to run into the people she met at CPAC again. But thankfully, she signed up for the Club immediately after moving back to the city this past February, and currently serves as Recording Secretary for the Hispanic Caucus and is a proud member of the Libertarian Caucus. Her favorite events are book signings, where she has been able to chat with brilliant conservative figures. Outside her day job as a catering sales and special events manager, her interests include but are not limited to Hello Kitty, beer, and Hank Williams Jr. music.



Andrew M. O'Donnell

Andrew, a two-year New York Young Republican Club member, native to suburban Philadelphia, currently resides across the Hudson in New Jersey following an eight-year layover in NYC.

Andrew is a licensed real estate professional with previous experience in Marketing and Public Relations. He is an avid photographer, film nerd, and purported dim sum enthusiast.

During President Trump's first term, Andrew grew increasingly politically engaged while observing and experiencing unwarranted and seemingly widespread TDS (Trump Derangement Syndrome) in his personal, professional, and public life. Upon joining the Club, he immediately found great relief and joy in conversing, socializing and befriending (and venting to!) like-minded

conservatives from all walks of life in the belly of the liberal beast, the present-day hellscape known as New York City.

Andrew facetiously credits Big Tech for leading him to the New York Young Republican Club after photos from its 2020 MAGAween Party were pushed his way via the Instagram algorithm; he joined a few days later on Election Day to attend the Club's watch party—his first event—and has been a spirited member ever since.

2022: A Look Back

By Aldo J. Solares, Club Historian

The History Committee of the New York Young Republican Club proudly announces some of its most notable accomplishments for 2022.

This year, Committee members researched Club archives held by the New York Public Library, the New York Historical Society, and the Columbia University Library. Through these efforts, we obtained scanned copies of crucial documents that evidence some of the Club's most treasured moments in history.

We obtained scanned copies of the Club's Inaugural Dinner program. The event was held at the Hotel Astor on December 20th, 1911, and President William H. Taft was the keynote speaker. In addition, we secured copies of the Club's newsletters going back to the '30s and '40s, such as *The Young GOP Bulletin* and *The Young Republican*.

For President's Day, as a service to our members, the Committee researched the Club's relationship with significant figures in American history, such as Abraham Lincoln, William H. Taft, Herbert Hoover, Dwight Eisenhower, and Richard Nixon. The resulting article was published in the Record for all to read.

We secured copies of the "State of the Club Addresses" delivered by the Club's presidents between 1934 and 1953, including Alexander M. Hamilton (1934), David Pack (1935), Charles M. Metzer (1942), Henry V. Poor (1948), and John V. Lindsay (1952).

We secured copies of the Club's Yearbooks from 1934 through 1966, which contain a wealth of information such as the Club's history, its founders, and historical clubhouse and office

locations. In addition, we collected past club seals, a list of past presidents, historical lists of committee members, and expanded records of alumni. One of our most exciting findings is evidence President Richard Nixon was a member of the Club in 1965.

When you visit our Clubhouse, you'll notice a plaque commemorating the 32 Founders of the New York Young Republican Club and a plaque that displays the Club's past presidents, beginning with Philip J. McCook. However, the most reverent plaque for your examination and appreciation is our World War II Memorial plaque, which lists Club members who served and died in World War II.

One of the most notable findings in NYYRC's archives is a document where we learned the Club worked to support Hungarian refugees fleeing Hungary after the failed 1957 Hungarian Revolution. To educate our members, the Committee published an article for the newsletter. It was timely, given the Club's first international endorsement, which went to Viktor Orbán for Prime Minister of Hungary. Soon after that endorsement, Club President Gavin Wax traveled to Budapest to speak at CPAC Hungary.

This year, the History Committee hosted its first trivia event! We had a great time. Because of the positive feedback, we will host more in the coming year!

Lastly, the History Committee is officially on Twitter and Instagram! We want a fun way to share what we learn with our members and anyone who appreciates the history of the Republican Party. So, follow us @NYYRC_History, and see you at our next trivia event!

"If the freedom of speech is taken away then dumb and silent we may be led, like sheep to the slaughter."

-George Washington

Letters From Elected Officials

Dear New York Young Republican Club,

I wanted to write to congratulate you on your successful 110th Annual Gala! The Club has been an important voice for Republicans in New York for over a century. Today, as New York voters tire of the one-party rule by Far Left Democrats, organizations like yours helped expose the multiple crises created by Kathy Hochul, Albany Democrats, and Democrat Members of the New York Congressional delegation.

I've seen firsthand how members of the Club have volunteered for Republicans throughout New York State, from registering voters to phone banking to knocking on doors. You have gone above and beyond. Members have generously donated and attended fundraisers for Congressional Republicans across the state. You've helped us flip the House and fire Nancy Pelosi one and for all to Save America.

At the time of my first election, I was honored to be the youngest woman ever elected to Congress and I understand just how important the New York Young Republican Club is for our movement and state. You engage with the next generation of voters, educate them on conservative values and policies, and make sure they make their voices are heard in elections.

I also wanted to thank the Club for honoring my Executive Director, Alex deGrasse, who is also a member of the Club, with the Thomas Dewey Award for his great work not only with my political operation but for his support of Republicans across New York as well. From knocking on tens of thousands of doors over the years, to building a finance operation raising tens of millions of dollars, to leading the hardworking staff who deliver historic victories cycle after cycle, Alex has earned it!

Regards,

Hon. Elise M. Stefanik

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United States House of Representatives (NY-21), Republican House Conference Chair

Dear President Wax and Members of the New York Young Republican Club,

Congratulations on holding your 110th Annual Gala!

As a member of the "YR's" for many years, I am acutely aware of how valuable the support of your organization has been to the success of Republican candidates and elected officials like myself. This year, more than ever, NYYRC's fearless advocacy, tireless enthusiasm and smart organizing helped to galvanize the GOP base and sway independent voters into a "Red Wave" that shocked deep blue New York State, flipping four House seats and making significant gains in the state Legislature.

It is always an uphill battle for Republican candidates in New York, but the energy and passion of the New York Young Republican Club fills me with optimism for the our future of our party. I am grateful for everything the NYYRC does to promote Republican values and principles, to fight for a fair democracy and the free exchange of ideas in New York and this country.

Very truly yours,

Hon. Joseph C. Borelli

New York City Council (CD-51), Minority Leader

Dear New York Young Republican Club members,

Congratulations on hosting your 110th Annual Gala with a rockstar lineup of speakers and guests. As the oldest and largest Young Republican Club in the United States, your club has been on the frontlines of the fight for our Constitutional freedoms since 1856. It is an honor to be a part of your club that has continuously hosted this Gala despite major world events, including both world wars and the COVID-19 pandemic.

Over 100 years since it was written, your mission statement perfectly summarizes our fight as Republicans: "To promote and maintain the principles of the Republican Party; to foster within the Republican Party and make practical in service of the municipality, state and nation, the idealism characteristic of youth; to correct in our own party that tendency of all parties to make organization an end rather than a means; to develop sound principle and public spirit in party politics; to promote honest and fair electoral methods, to the end that the expression of the popular will by whatever party or body, shall be as free, untrammeled and equal as possible; to resist and expose political corruption; to advocate merit rather than partisan service as entitling to public office; to watch legislation and to encourage public attention to and efficiently criticize the conduct of government"

The New York Young Republican Club has a rich history of dynamic leadership and strong advocacy for our state and our nation. It is no surprise that you have unanimously selected the tenacious and fearless Gavin Mario Wax, who will continue to lead your club's mission to new heights. Congratulations on another successful year and annual gala. It is an honor to support you and I am grateful for your leadership, partnership and advocacy for our shared values.

Sincerely,

Claudi Genney Hon. Claudia L. Tenney

United States House of Representatives (NY-24)

Good Evening Friends and Fellow NYYRCers,

I hope this message finds you in good spirits as we come together to celebrate another successful year for the New York Young Republican Club at the annual gala. In addition to being a Club member, I represent the 48th District, Brooklyn, in the New York City Council, and am Minority Whip.

While is difficult and challenging to be a Republican in New York City, and the odds are always stacked against us – the NYYRC has provided a spirited and party-building counterweight that I believe will only grow strong in the years to come. 2021 brought us surprise victories in the City Council in Queens and Brooklyn, and the NYYRC canvassed voters multiple times for each and every one of those victories and has also provided staff.

Whether you are new to this Club and a first-time gala goer or a regular, please know that you and we are part of a growing movement to save our city, our state, and our country from one-party Democratic misrule. Your efforts throughout the year are noticed and appreciated and I look forward to what is next for this Club, and our rebounding Party, which is vital and necessary to recover and renew our City, State, and Country.

Sincerely,

Hon. Inna E. Vernikov

New York City Council (CD-48), Minority Whip

Dear New York Young Republican Club,

As a member of the NYYRC and former Chairman of the New York State Young Republicans, I am a product of the hard work this organization puts in every day to recruit, train and elect Young Republicans. At the age of 24, the first Young Republican meeting I ever attended was in Manhattan. It was at this meeting that I was inspired to continue to pursue a career in public service and be a leader in our Party.

As someone who has been involved in the New York State and NYYRC, I can also speak to the amount of growth this club has experienced over the past several years under its current leadership. While tonight we celebrate 110 years of this Annual Gala, we also must acknowledge the leaps and bounds this club has made in recent years.

As we all dissect the results of the most recent mid-term election we can certainly look to the NYYRC, NYSYR & YRNF for leadership and direction as we work to make important gains in the 2024 Presidential Election cycle. I know I will do my part to work with all of you to continue to promote our mission to recruit, train and elect Young Republicans in the coming years. Now more than ever our party needs Conservative leadership locally, statewide and throughout our nation.

Very truly yours,

Hon. Brian M. Maher

Supervisor, Town of Montgomery

New York State Assemblyman-Elect (AD-101)

Dear New York Young Republican Club,

Congratulations on your 110th Annual Gala. You should be so proud, not only for preserving this traditional Republican event in New York, but also for bringing the Club to new heights and unprecedented levels of success. The Annual Gala is just one aspect of everything that you do all year long, from building the largest and most vibrant Republican community in the heart of the bluest city in the country, to getting our candidates elected every Election Cycle. In just a few years, you have contributed to the transformation of New York's political landscape, all while staying true to your mission and conservative moral values.

The New York Young Republican Club, led by your steadfast President Gavin Wax, has spearheaded a new, young political movement in New York that fights for freedom and prosperity outside of the confines of an outdated political model. It takes a great deal of bravery and courage to fight against the tide and to stand for what is right and true, and you have done it. I am honored to be given the opportunity to celebrate you at the Gala and all throughout your bright future ahead.

There is no doubt that every great endeavor, such as yours, experiences setbacks and turmoil at times. Flipping New York to red is not simple or easy by any stretch of the imagination. However, the struggle and the fight is worth it, and you have already seen the fruits of your labor by making the election of Republican candidates possible and starting to turn things around for New Yorkers. Let me take this opportunity to thank you for the invaluable grassroots work you do every day, for the education that you provide to New Yorkers about the truth behind the mask of politics and the media, and for the intellectualism and grace you employ in your fight for the betterment of the state, and by extension, the country.

Congratulations once again!

Sincerely,

Hon. Vickie Paladino

New York City Council (CD-19)

Dear fellow Young Republicans:

It is my distinct pleasure to extend my warmest greetings to my friends at the New York Young Republican Club's 110th Annual Gala. Distinguished for its history and depth of membership, the NYYRC has played a significant role in espousing the ideals of the Republican Party for over a century. Tonight's event will surely make evident once again the Club's leading role in the vanguard of our conservative movement.

Under the leadership of President Gavin M. Wax, the NYYRC continues to recruit new young conservative minds and harness their energy to elect individuals to public office that believe in American exceptionalism and the importance in preserving it. As a lifelong member of the Republican Party, a past President of the Staten Island Young Republicans, former Vice Chair of the New York State Young Republicans, and now a representative in New York City Council, I am honored to be counted among the many esteemed members of this proud club.

I want to wish each of you a Merry Christmas, happy holidays, and a happy new year. On January 1, 2023, the work continues, and I know that the NYYRC will continue to be a partner in the fight for a better future for our city, our state, and our country.

Keep up the great work!

Very truly yours,

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Hon. David M. Carr

New York City Council (CD-50)

Gavin Wax, President New York Young Republican Club

Dear Fellow New York Young Republican Club Members,

It is my sincere honor to congratulate you on hosting New York's 110th annual Premier Gala. NYYRC has been an unstoppable source of strength in New York with the mission of fighting for our Freedoms without rest.

NYYRC is the oldest and largest young Republican Club in the country and that is no small feat. Under the leadership of Gavin Wax and the Executive Team, you have changed the course of history in New York and around our great nation.

I am sincerely grateful for your endorsement last November along with the volunteerism that led to an amazing victory for residents in the Hudson Valley. It has given me the tools to stand up for those within the community and improve the lives of so many.

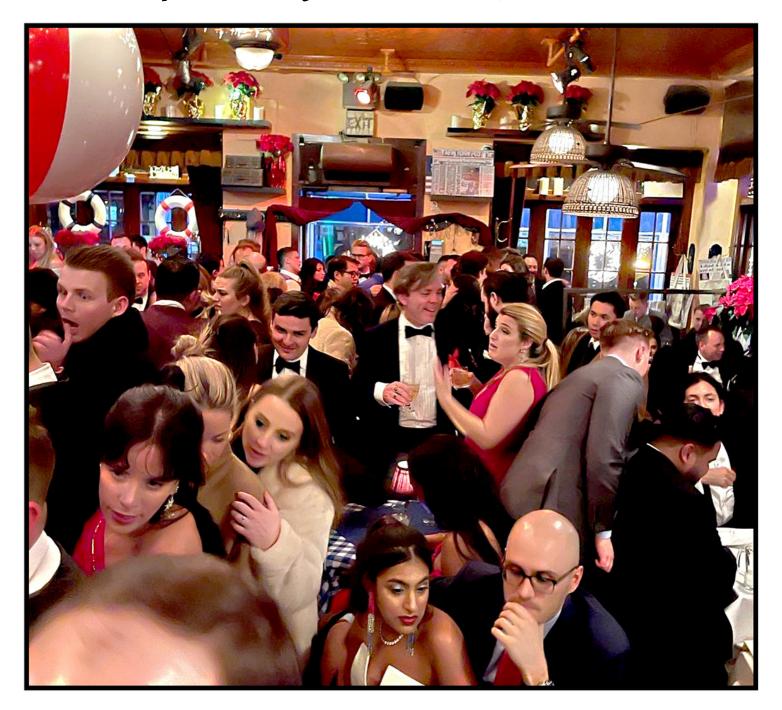
I look forward to continue working alongside all of you in our mission to "to promote and maintain the principals of the Republican Party."

Warm Regards,

Benjamin Geller Hon. Benjamin N. Geller

Dutchess County Legislature (LD-4)

After Party December 5th, 2021



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Great American Classics

Lobster Shrimp Bisque Onion Soup Au Gratin Avocado Toast Gorgonzola Garlic Bread

Baby Spinach Salad Iceberg Wedge Salad, Blue Cheese, and bacon California Cobb Salad

Raw Bar - Oysters and Shrimp

Pasta Shells and Broccoli Linguini with White Clam Sauce

Pan-Seared Jumbo Sea Scallops Pan Roasted Atlantic Salmon Seared Ahi Tuna

Meatloaf and Mashed Potatoes
Buttermilk Chicken and Waffles
Beach Pot Pie
1/2 Roasted Organic Chicken
Sliced Steak and Onions
Prime Rib Au Jus

Lobster Roll

...and the Best Burger on the Upper East Side!

Dear Members of the New York Young Republican Club,

Congratulations to the members and officers of the New York Young Republican Club on its 110th Anniversary!

As the oldest and largest club of its type in the country, you hold an important place in the history of Republican politics. Over the past 110 years, you have served as an incubator for talent, having played an important role in raising some of the most recognized young Republican leaders. Among your ranks historical figures such as Vice President Nelson A. Rockefeller, Supreme Court Justice John Marshall Harlan II, New York State Governor of New York Thomas E. Dewey, and many more.

Today, the New York Young Republican Club continues to be a place where the next generation of Republican leaders gather to organize, share ideas, and develop skills. In a place like New York City, many believe that conservativism is dead—but this is not the truth. The Young Republican Club has brought a new focus and energy to the values its members hold dear.

Now more than ever, it is important to have organizations dedicated to monitoring legislation and the conduct of elected officials. The work of your organization to bring attention to important public policy matters, and when necessary, effectively criticizing the conduct of government cannot be overstated.

I am confident that the future for the New York Young Republican Club will be even brighter than it's past. I urge each and every one of you to stay true to your mission statement by cultivating the next generation of Republican leaders, by working to correct in our own party that tendency of all parties to make organization an end rather than a means, and by exposing political corruption. Our state, and our nation needs you now more than ever.

Once again, congratulations on your 110th Anniversary! May God bless our Empire State, and our great United States of America.

Sincerely,

Hon. Michael R. Martucci New York State Senate (SD-42)

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Dear NYYRC.

It's not popular to say, but I've spent the majority of my adult life dedicated to public service, and yet, I never thought that Congress was where my career would take me. But after spending well over a year on the campaign trail, we pulled off the win in New York's 19th Congressional district, and delivered a Republican Majority to the House of Representatives.

Breaking the one-party-rule stranglehold on this nation was an absolute necessity, as 2 years of Democrat rule dragged down our economy to the brink. And in the wake of uncontrollable inflation, a government fostered crime wave, massive tax increases, and an unrelenting opioid epidemic, the American people declared that enough is enough. And while the "red-wave" wasn't quite as strong as we had hoped in the rest of the nation, we certainly created our own one here in New York.

Make no mistake, this republican majority runs through New York, you are the majority makers, and I intend to leverage that. I'm not going to Washington to continue the status quo; I'm there to get stuff done and fight for the residents that have given me this tremendous honor.

Hon. Marcus J. Molinaro

Dutchess County Executive

Congressman-Elect (NY-19)

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Dear Friends!

The world is at a turning point: What was once prosperity, is now economic decline. What used to provide financial stability, is now put at risk by gamblers and speculators. What was once democratically decided by legitimized governments and parliaments, gets dictated today by ominously financed NGOs as well as left-wing media. The truth is often no longer the truth, but one that is artificially created for ideological reasons by increasingly aggressive left-wing opinion makers. But: In every crisis there is also an opportunity. Because more and more people are realizing: Things can't go on like this! Enough with fake news! No more undermining of our democracy! Enough with the One World insanity! No more illegal mass migration! And an end to the destruction of our families!

In my humble opinion, the New York Young Republican Club is a fount for a better future: Conservative and value-conscious. Yet innovative and bold. People for whom respect and tolerance count a lot, but who always have in mind the important role of youth: to rebel and change this world for the better. Always open to the new, but never forgetting to preserve the good.

It is an honour to be in a fruitful contact with the representatives of the NYYRC. Geographically, the Atlantic Ocean separates us, but in our hearts and minds we stand for the same goals: Aiming to achieve the best for all the people we are privileged to represent.

Dear friends of the NYYRC, always remain young in spirit, passionate in your hearts, preserving and just in your actions, and always committed to the people of New York. In (the very old) Europe one would now say: Ad multos annos! Here's to many more good years of togetherness, dear friends!

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Hon. Harald Vilimsky

Member of the European Parliament (Austria)

Dear President Wax, Officers, and Members of the New York Young Republican Club,

Congratulations on your 110th Annual Gala! Hosting your annual gala through the COVID-19 pandemic-not to mention two world wars-is an outstanding achievement. This accomplishment reflects a firm commitment to conservative ideals.

As the oldest and largest chapter in the United States, the New York Young Republican Club stands out for its storied history and untiring advocacy. Since its founding on April 27, 1911, the Club has provided a platform for young Republicans to participate in political activism and meet like-minded conservatives in a city dominated by the left. And your efforts are paying dividends-if the recent elections results in your city and surrounding area are any indication. The fact that Lee Zeldin almost pulled off the unthinkable and four House seats flipped to Republican in the city and surrounding suburbs, shows that tides are changing in the Empire State.

In these uncertain times, where it is more difficult than ever before for a conservative to publicly espouse their beliefs due to relentless persecution by a weaponized federal justice system, I admire your steadfastness to pursue truth and reason rather than be intimidated into silence and passivity by violence and oppression.

As young patriots, you hold extraordinary power to alter the future. Together, we can advocate for an America First agenda grounded in the liberties afforded to the American people.

Once again, congratulations on your 110th Annual Gala!

Hon. Paul A. Gosar, D.D.S.

United States House of Representatives (AZ-4)

To whom it may concern,

My name is Maximilian Krah. I am a member of the European Parliament for the conservative political party The Alternative for Germany (AfD). I am also a lawyer, a father and a Catholic who believes in God and country.

Our party is comparatively young -- we've only been around for about a decade -- but we are successful. The reason for our success applies equally to Donald Trump here in America: we care about our people. It's simple, effective and makes us a lot of enemies. The mainstream media in Germany likes to portray us as comic book villains. They say we don't believe in equality and freedom. If they mean the reduction of everyone to same level of poverty and ignorance or the freedom to change one's gender every morning, they're right.

But we do believe in the freedom of speech, the freedom of thought and the freedom to strive for a successful life. We believe in the equality of opportunity, not the equality of outcome that certain self-proclaimed social justice warriors would force on us. These are not popular views these days. Going against the woke Zeitgeist requires a strong conviction.

And so, like the comic book villains we supposedly are, conservative politicians these days all have an origin story. Mine began in the former Communist so-called German Democratic Republic. I learned to question the prevailing narrative at school and in the media from my parents. They taught me to think for myself and to respect non-state authorities such as the Catholic Church. I was only twelve years old when the Berlin Wall fell and soon joined the youth organization of the CDU. I suppose this was Germany's version of The Young Republicans, at least back then. The CDU has since betrayed its last vestige of its conservative values by bowing to leftist demands. This culminated in the 2015 decision to open Germany's borders. In 2016, I left the party I had supported for 25 years and joined the AfD.

Another life-changing event that made me the politician I am is this city. From 2010 to 2012, I took part in the Global Executive MBA program at Columbia University. The program was rewarding, but more than my course of studies it was the vibrant city life, the friends I made and my experiences here that transformed me. New York is the perfect combination of the familiar and the strange. It's like being on the set of a well-loved movie that one finally gets to play a part in. But New York is also challenging. This is where the young and ambitious come to feel inspired, to influence each other and to compete.

Politically, being a conservative in New York made me realize I needed better arguments. Like most big cities, New York's prevailing culture is progressive/left and you quickly learn that you not only have to be braver, but smarter and more creative than your opponents. In my case, I found that the other side was not the sad old left of granola and Birkenstocks, but young radicals who engaged with politics on the cutting edge: Gender theory, deconstruction, critical race theory -- they all took root here before metastasizing to Western culture at large. I realized that the arguments I brought with me were not good enough and I could either bow out of the conversation or up my game.

As Frank Sinatra sang: If I can make it here, I'll make it anywhere. This applies to conservatives as much as to singers and songwriters. The unbelievable talent, intelligence and leadership that made tonight's event possible proves this is true and that New York City is still a powerful forge for ideas and movements. I'm grateful to this wonderful city and to this organization. You've kept the conservative tradition alive in what might be the most challenging environment on earth. Thank you for your leadership!

Sincerely,

Hon. Dr. Maximilian Krah

Member of the European Parliament (Germany)

Dear New York Young Republican Club,

Congratulations on hosting your 110th Annual Gala. That by itself is a remarkable achievement, but so is being the most based Republican Club since the birth of our party in 1854.

It takes work to win elections and words to convince others to join our cause. Your club has exhibited a mastery of both. Because of your efforts, the future of our party is bright.

Even as a resident of the Empire State of the South, nearly 1000 miles away, I've been able to see the impact NYYRC and its members have had on shaping discourse. Your support for candidates and elected officials, as well as steering office holders back to their conservative roots when they have strayed, are making a difference.

Thank you all again for the support and hospitality your club has shown me in my bid for Congress. I look forward to continuing to partner in your success.

Together, we will not eat the bugs or live in the pods.

Put the hammer down and keep truckin'!

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Hon. Michael A. Collins Jr. Congressman-Elect (GA-10)

Dear Friends at NYYRC,

Thank you for everything you have done this year. Thanks to activists like you, we were able to secure victories all across our great State. Congressman Lee Zeldin became the best performing Republican candidate in the last twenty years, we picked up 4 Congressional seats, held onto a Congressional seat we were expected to lose, picked up several state Senate and Assembly seats. But, our work is not done yet.

As anyone with common sense can see, New York State is in a lot of trouble. We have a crime wave all across our State, we are losing population to other States, and our economy is shrinking. We need to be diligent in pushing for Conservative reforms to Save our State.

Lastly, despite all the negative news that has been released about our State and Country, we need to remember that we are close to being able to meaningfully change aspects of our Government for the better. Just keep fighting and keep the faith.

As always I am happy to keep supporting NYYRC and the important work that they do. Gavin, you are doing a terrific job running this organization. The future of NYYRC is very bright!

Regards,

Hon. James M. Nolan

Westchester County Legislature (LD-15), Minority Whip

Dear New York, Young Republican Club,

Congratulations on your 110th Gala! The Club has been a crucial voice for not only Republicans in New York, but across the Nation. In New York, you have seen and lived under one-party rule for over decades and experienced its consequences. You have witnessed what comes with the policies of the Far Left: increased criminality, record cost of living hikes, soft on crime and catch and release policies, open borders, and an American Last agenda.

You have fought hard against these policies, and while today you honor me with the Theodore Roosevelt Jr Award, it is my position that this Award belongs to all of you and the work you do on the ground. Without your work here in New York and your work to support GOP candidates, our progress would be stifled.

Because of your work and dedication, The Club has helped to rip through the Democrats' stranglehold on New York, and ushered in new GOP representation across the state through your commitment to the rule of law, border security, constitutionality, and the American worker.

From the front doors of New Yorkers, to the front lines of the GOP majority, thank you again for all your hard work.

Let's take back America,

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Cory L. Mills

Congressman-Elect (FL-7)

Dear New York, Young Republican Club,

I am writing to congratulate you on another great year at the Club and your 110th Annual Gala! As a New York City native, I appreciate the importance of influencing young people to promote their conservative values and help make a positive impact on our city, state, and country. This is why I am a proud member of the New York Young Republican Club. This past November, we saw the movement against one party rule in New York and Washington DC grow stronger than ever thanks to the amazing work of the New York Young Republican Club.

I want to personally thank the club for its amazing work and efforts in New York's Third Congressional District, helping secure victory and flip the district red for the first time in decades. From the door knocking rallies to the grassroots support, we truly could not have done it without your help. Being one of only two Republican Congressman representing New York City, I understand the incredible responsibility that I have been given. I look forward to working hard every single day to make New York City the wonderful place that we all know it to be.

Once again, congratulations on another successful Annual Gala! Thank you for your service to New York City, the State of New York, and the United States of America. I look forward to continuing to not only be a member of the club but work alongside the club to help spread the message of the American dream across New York.

Best Wishes,

George A. Santos

Congressman-Elect (NY-3)

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NYYRC Endorses President Donald J. Trump for Reelection

The New York Young Republican Club proudly announces its endorsement of and pledges its full support to the reelection of President Donald J. Trump as President of the United States in the 2024 election cycle.

The American People needs a leader who champions its values, heritage, and interests. President Trump has battled the Deep State since he launched his 2016 presidential campaign. Since then, he has demonstrated a level of care for American society unmatched by current or would-be politicians; he consistently sacrifices to improve Americans' lives, and his persistence shows an unparalleled commitment to our cause.

President Trump faces headwinds of unmatched strength and vigor. In pursuit of its internationalist and corporatist agenda, the Fake News Media doggedly pursues every opportunity to besmirch his credibility. Turncoat Republicans join committed Democrats to disavow reasonable statements he makes prioritizing American interests over foreign interests. Yet, through it all, President Trump remains steady-oriented unfailingly in pursuit of the America First agenda.

President Trump does not speak like a politician. He is brash, direct, and rough around the edges. But it is undeniable that his approach achieved results. Be it stark drops in criminal aliens crossing our Southern Border, rapid growth in economic opportunity, or the appointment of qualified judges at all levels of the federal court system, President Trump's successes led to immediate, tangible improvement in the lives of millions of Americans.

Most remarkable, President Trump achieved those results with a core team that lacked experience navigating the DC Swamp. Moreover, he did it despite his Administration being rife with Establishment turncoats who slow-walked policy edicts. In doing so, he demonstrated his ability to get things done by taking a message directly to the American People.

Unencumbered by supposed allies all too willing to turn on him and by Radical Left political and media enemies, President Trump would have fundamentally rejuvenated vast portions of the American economy and psyche. When one considers what he might have achieved—closing the border to cracking down ruthlessly on crime to breaking the public-sector unions, like those for teachers—the contrast to Establishment politicians (especially heinously corrupt ones like Joe Biden) could not be more stark.

In 2024, the American People must send President Trump back to the White House with a clear mandate: Save America. Do not kowtow to the Deep State. Do not let lying journalists set the agenda. Do not allow the permanent class of bureaucrats to preserve their livelihoods at the American People's expense. Reject the uniparty, and embrace America First ideas at all levels of government.

The Fake News Media has recently raised much fuss after Republicans' underwhelming midterm performance. They posit that President Trump failed; they assert that his candidates lost key races. Nothing could be farther from the truth. The Republican establishment continues to play by the rules of corrupt, rotten political order. America First Republicans did not make these rules; and playing someone else's game never makes for a winning strategy. President Trump, returned to office, will waste no time flipping the gameboard over and rewriting the rules. And that is exactly what our nation needs.

President Trump remains committed to American interests. While other politicians kneel at the altars of corporate money, acclaim from illegitimate globalist organizations like the United Nations, and radical wokeism, President Trump stands for our People unashamed and head unbowed. He is duty-driven by love of country; he aspires to unify, not to divide. We must stand with him to Save America from an elite corps of impudent snobs who will never put American interests first.

The New York Young Republican Club calls on Republicans at all levels of involvement-from voters to local party officials to federal elected officials—to proclaim loudly and with pride that they, too, stand with President Trump. Together, we will Make America Great Again and empower an executive able to realign this nation to its traditional core values, ensuring the American People's prosperity far into the future.

A Personal Thank You from President Donald J. Trump



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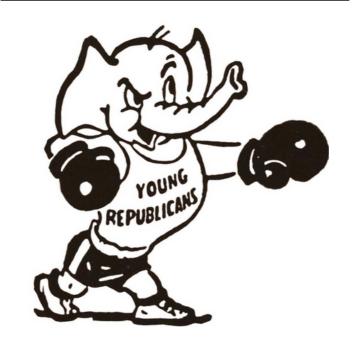
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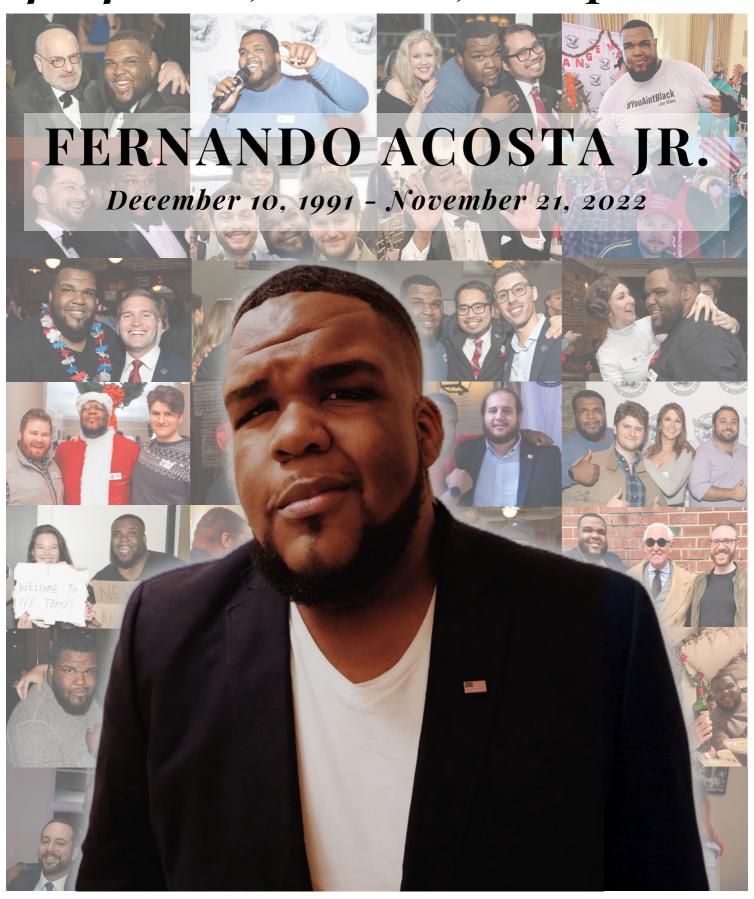
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