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United Hebrew Receives \$325,000 in New York State Grants for Capital Improvements, Enhancing Care of Westchester’s Seniors

United Hebrew, NYS Senators Shelley Mayer, Nathalia Fernandez and NYS Assemblyman Steve Otis Announce Funding and Commitment to Improving Seniors’ Quality of Life



(L-R): NYS State Senator Nathalia Fernandez; United Hebrew President and CEO Rita Mabli; NYS Assemblyman Steve Otis; NYS State Senator Shelley B. Mayer

(New Rochelle, NY) November 27 — New York State Senator Shelley B. Mayer, Senator Nathalia Fernandez, Assemblyman Steve Otis, and United Hebrew President and CEO Rita Mabli announced today that United Hebrew has received \$325,000 in New York State grants for the improvement of the senior living campus’ main kitchen and rehabilitation area. As Westchester’s aging population continues to grow, Senator Shelley Mayer, Senator Nathalia Fernandez, Assemblyman Steve Otis, and United Hebrew are committed to ensuring senior living facilities meet the wide-ranging needs of today’s seniors.

Senator Mayer and Assemblyman Otis secured \$100,000 and \$125,000, respectively, in state funds that will be used toward food service enhancements, including new kitchen equipment that will aid in cleaning and infection control. Senator Fernandez secured \$100,000 which will be used to create an additional state-of-the-art first floor gym to provide much needed rehabilitation space and allow UH to expand service delivery. The rehab gym will incorporate innovative design features to improve outcomes and integrate the latest in assistive technology to augment rehabilitation programming, as well as responding to additional demand.

“As a nonprofit healthcare organization, we depend on community support to enhance the lives of our residents,” says Rita Mabli. “We are most grateful to Senators Mayer and Fernandez and Assemblyman Otis for their advocacy and support. Securing these grants on United Hebrew’s behalf will yield long-term benefits to our seniors and allow us to increase the number of residents serviced, as well as increasing the number of short stay residents returning to the community in stable health.”

Senator Shelley B. Mayer said, “I am proud to have been able to secure \$100,000 in state funding to be used to update the kitchen equipment that will aid in cleaning and infection control at United Hebrew. United Hebrew provides excellent care to many seniors in Westchester and I am pleased to help ensure its residents have the most modern facilities and the safest experience. I thank my colleagues Senator Nathalia Fernandez and Assemblyman Steve Otis for also securing funding that will ensure United Hebrew meets all the needs of its residents.”

Senator Nathalia Fernandez said, “I am proud to secure this allocation through their application to the Empire State Development Not-for-Profit Capital Grant Program. My support is specifically geared towards rejuvenating underutilized space, paving the way for a state-of-the-art rehabilitation gym. This transformation aims to elevate the facility's services, ultimately optimizing patient outcomes.

Assemblyman Steve Otis said, “United Hebrew is one of our region’s leading senior care and rehabilitation providers. I am very pleased that we were able to combine efforts to secure state funding for the food services facilities and rehabilitation space to help UH offer the best quality environment to serve residents and rehabilitation clients. This is a great example of Senator Fernandez, Senator Mayer, and I working together to bring state resources for projects to serve the community. Congratulations to Rita Mabli and the entire staff at UH for their dedicated work.”

The upgrades will enhance services provided on United Hebrew’s 7.5-acre campus of comprehensive care. With an award-winning assisted-living facility, dedicated memory care community, nationally recognized skilled nursing and rehabilitation center, and two independent senior housing apartment buildings, the campus allows seniors to age in place, remaining at United Hebrew as their healthcare needs change over time.

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About United Hebrew of New Rochelle

United Hebrew of New Rochelle (uhgc.org) is a vibrant not-for-profit, non-sectarian, multiservice campus of comprehensive care nestled on 7.5 acres. United Hebrew has been serving the Westchester metropolitan area since 1919, and today, serves more than 1,000 residents and clients daily on its Harry and Jeannette Weinberg Campus and within the Westchester community. Services include: Long-Term Skilled Nursing (The Skalet Pavilion); Burke Rehabilitation at United Hebrew; Willow Towers Assisted Living (The Beverly and Alfred J.

Green Pavilion), Memory Care at Willow Gardens (The Malcolm and Patricia Lazarus Pavilion); The Phoenix Neighborhood and Griffen Program at Willow Towers; and Nightingale Neighborhood at United Hebrew; Independent Senior Housing at Soundview (Low-Savin Residence) and Meadow Lane Senior Apartments); and Health at Home (Certified Home Health Agency). For more information, call (914) 632-2804 or visit www.uhgc.org