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## Dear **SUNSHINE Awards Supporters**

On behalf of the SUNSHINE Awards Organization and on my own behalf, I wish you and yours the best for the Holiday Season and a bright and rewarding New Year.



This year 2020 has undoubtedly been an extremely challenging and difficult one. The challenges we faced and continue to address due to the COVID-19 pandemic have had a major impact on our lives. Many are still wondering if we will ever get back to the way we lived prior to the onset of this pandemic. We have had to make adjustments in everything we do in order to protect others and ourselves. We have learnt a lot from these challenges, knowledge and best practices that we can apply to our personal lives to be healthy and safe even after we get past this pandemic.



This year, on August 13, the SUNSHINE Awards Organization canceled its 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual SUNSHINE Awards Program due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This decision was made because of our commitment to the health and safety of our guests, supporters, performers and honorees. In a few days, we will turn the page and celebrate the start of a new year with great optimism. The availability of the vaccine promises to put us back on the path to normalcy although apprehension will be a major factor.



As we celebrate the Holiday Season in person and in some cases virtually, let us not let our guard down. Getting past this health pandemic situation is really predicated on each of us playing our part. We have been resilient and we have demonstrated what it takes to claim victory over this deadly virus. Let us make it a priority to take care of our health and each other by following the guidelines of the scientists and experts. I am confident that we will get past this horrible and deadly situation. Let's tell the person we see in the mirror, "If it is to be, it's up to me."

## It is my hope that we will continue the SUNSHINE Awards Program in October of 2021.



Thank you for your support through the years. Please know that we are fully aware that your joining with the SUNSHINE Awards Organization to recognize and pay tribute to the talented exponents of the performing arts, education, humanity, science and sports has helped us to make a difference in people's lives.

Please enjoy the Holiday Season and stay healthy and safe.

Sincerely,



Gilman T. Figaro. Sr

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