



THE CITY OF NEW YORK
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10007

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Dear Friends:

It is a great pleasure to welcome all those attending Mount Sinai's Diabetes Awareness Month and World Diabetes Awareness Day programs.

In New York City, nothing is more important than the health and well-being of our residents. Our Administration has worked hard to improve health care access for New Yorkers and we have promoted innovative public policies that help people live longer, healthier lives. Still, 560,000 New York City residents have diabetes and nearly sixty percent of them are African American or Latino. Many of these residents do not have access to the education and health services they need to prevent or manage this disease.

Mount Sinai Medical Center is working to reverse this trend by creating ongoing multi-faceted programs designed for the Latino community. Through programs which include diabetes prevention activities, detection screenings, interactive learning sessions and workshops both at Mount Sinai Medical Center and in the community with affiliated clinics and physicians, educational sessions in conjunction with the American Diabetes Association, and cooking demonstrations, the Center is supporting diabetes prevention, awareness, and action through patients learning how to live, manage, and prevent diabetes through healthy eating, exercise and proper administration of medicine.

On behalf of all New Yorkers I am pleased to recognize those associated with Mount Sinai Medical Center for hosting these programs and for contributing so much to our great City. My best wishes for your continued success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael R. Bloomberg".

Michael R. Bloomberg
Mayor