Dear Friends of Molloy College,

Welcome to Molloy College’s 2012 Gala. It is a pleasure to be able to share such a special evening with so many distinguished benefactors and with such notable honorees as are Susan Gordon Ryan, Mary Ann Tuttle, and my dear friend Margarita Grasing. Tonight, we celebrate these individuals that have given so much of themselves to be able to succeed, and have never forgotten to offer a helping hand to others in our communities so that they may do the same.

In the wake of the recent disasters that have affected our region, it has become even more important to celebrate those that selflessly give back to anyone that may need their help. Honoring them tonight is a gesture done not only to recognize their accomplishments but also to motivate others to join the efforts and live by the doctrine of Christianity. Now more than ever we need to call upon the community to come together and foster kindness in order to make a stronger and more united neighborhood. Margarita Grasing, Executive Director of Hispanic Brotherhood of RVC, and receiver of the honorable Service Award, Susan Gordon Ryan, receiver of the respectable Lifetime Achievement Award, and Mary Ann Tuttle, receiver of the Distinguished Alumni Award embody these traits, and for that we celebrate them tonight.

As we gather in this beautiful Public Square for our cocktail hour, walk through to the impressive Madison Theatre to listen to the soothing sounds of Placido Dominguez III, and prepare for our delicious dinner, we must remember to thank all those who took of their time to organize this event, especially Cynthia Metzger, Michelle Fradua and the entire Gala Committee and Molloy College administrative team.

Thank you for supporting the valuable education of our students and future leaders through your contributions to Molloy College. Please relax, enjoy the good company and make the best of this wonderful evening!

Sincerely,

Jenny T. Jorge
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