

November 2021

Dear Friends,

A new league year has begun and it is my privilege to lead an incredible group of volunteers during these extraordinary times. We continue to navigate the pandemic, together, and know that now, more than ever, we can make a difference in the communities we serve. I am grateful to the hard-working women who make up our organization, both active and sustainer members, for their unwavering passion and commitment to our mission. As a league, we start the year with gratitude as well for the support from our partners, vendors, Roslyn business community, Thrift Shop donors and patrons who enable us to bring meaningful programs to the community and help make our work possible.

The Junior League of Long Island (JLLI) was formed in 1951 as the North Shore Service League. In 1959, we purchased the building that houses our headquarters and Thrift Store, which is nestled in the heart of Roslyn, NY. Built in 1856, it was originally the Benjamin Hicks Lumber Office and in 1911 became the Conklin, Tubby and Conklin Lumber Office. It is a designated historic landmark and is persevered as such. We restored the building and the shop opened in 1961. Thanks to the Long Island community, it continues to thrive to this day and serves as the league's largest fundraiser to make our good work possible. For league members and many members of the community past and present, 1395 Old Northern Boulevard is the source of countless great memories and tremendous pride.

**On Sept. 1 of this year, the remnants of Hurricane Ida swept through our region with devastating results for many. Unfortunately, our building, lovingly referred to as our House, fell victim to the storm. Water flooded the basement and penetrated the first floor. The Thrift Shop lost \$95,000 in inventory and the estimate for repairs is approximately \$225,000. The House has been examined and is structurally sound, but due to the damage we will remain closed until the repairs are complete. This will result in the loss of several months of sales income and the inability to take in new donations.**

JLLI is resilient and we will ensure the proper restoration of the House, so that we may open our store doors as soon as possible. Our board and members have quickly mobilized to embark on the work to be done. Financially, insurance will cover some of the needed repairs, as will other sources of funding, including donations.

Today, we turn to you for help. Our annual appeal is a *vital source* of funding that allows the league to carry out its mission. This year, your support is more important than ever with our fall campaign focused solely on efforts to restore the building.

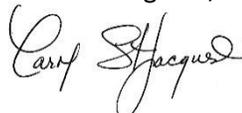
*Please support our **Light Up the House** campaign! Our goal is to raise \$5,000, approximately half of the cost incurred installing a new electrical panel and wiring throughout the basement. **Your gift** will bring us one step closer to reopening our doors. **No amount is too big or too small.** Join us in ensuring the continued success of JLLI - training our members to become volunteer leaders of tomorrow and helping women and children in need in our communities during these challenging times.*

To give to the **Light Up the House** campaign, please visit [JLLI.org/Donate](http://JLLI.org/Donate), use the enclosed pledge form and envelope, or call us at (516) 484-0485. With your help, our impact can continue to grow. Thank you for your continued support.

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Warmest regards,



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2021-2022 President

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