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ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON
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**Greetings To All Attending
The Gay & Lesbian Activists Alliance's
37th Anniversary Reception**

I have had the distinct honor of representing the United States' oldest continually active Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered (GLBT) political organization, the Gay and Lesbian Activists Alliance (GLAA) of Washington, D.C. (GLAA) in the United States House of Representatives for seventeen of those thirty-seven years. I note with pleasure that I have worked with GLAA and counted its members and officers among the staunchest (and in Rick's case, most vociferous) advocates for GLBT rights and those rights, enjoyed by most United States' Citizens, but denied the residents of the District of Columbia.

I offer my sincere and heartfelt congratulations to the 2088 recipients of GLAA's Distinguished Service Awards:

***Dignity/Washington,
Christopher Dyer,
The D.C. Office of Police Complaints,
Sanja Partalo,
PreventionWorks!, and
Brian Watson.***

I know I shall continue to enjoy working with GLAA during the remainder of the 110th Congress, and I look forward to starting a new adventure in the 111th Congress with GLAA at my side.

Sincerely,

Eleanor Holmes Norton