

March 27, 2015

## Dear Friends:

It is a great pleasure to welcome everyone to tonight's concert featuring performances of Pyotr Tchaikovsky's music, hosted by the Diana Bagrationi Foundation and benefiting the Sloan Kettering Cancer Center and Downside Up.

New York's character is exemplified by its generous and determined community groups, and organizations like the Diana Bagrationi Foundation and its commitment to assisting people facing serious health crises illustrate the important impact these groups can have in the lives of those they serve. Through its support of institutions that are working to find cures for some of the most devastating diseases affecting children and seniors around the globe, the Foundation helps to improve quality of life for families and offers them hope for a brighter future. I applaud this organization's staff and supporters for their dedication to serving those in need and look forward to even more people across the five boroughs and beyond benefiting from their efforts in the years to come.

On behalf of all New Yorkers, please accept my best wishes for a wonderful evening and continued success.

Sincerely,

Bill de Blasio

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Mayor