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Dear Name,

I am excited to share that I have been selected as a one of WNYs Rising Stars by the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation! Rising Stars has recognized over 300 young professionals and raised over \$500,000 for the CF Foundation in the past 11 years. Each year, the Cystic Fibrosis (CF) Foundation honors a select group of men and women from cities or regions across the country that are committed to professional growth through a guided fundraising and awareness campaign. These honorees exemplify strong leadership qualities, are active in their community and have excelled in their chosen professions.

The CF Foundation is leading the way in innovative research and drug development, promoting high-quality, individualized care and helping people with CF live better today. Nearly every CF drug available today was made possible because of the Foundation's support and our ongoing work with researchers and the pharmaceutical industry to find a cure. While we are optimistic about the road ahead, the lives of those with CF are still cut far too short. Even with the extraordinary progress that has been made, finding a cure for all people with CF will require a sustained investment of time, effort and money.

The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, had unrestricted financial reserves of about 11 times its budgeted 2020 expenses, following a royalty sale in 2014. The sale was made possible by the Foundation's successful venture philanthropy model, through which we have raised and invested hundreds of millions of dollars to help discover and develop breakthrough CF therapies. This and any future revenue from our model is reinvested into the CF Foundation's mission to cure cystic fibrosis and to provide all people with CF the opportunity to lead long, fulfilling lives. To obtain a copy of our latest Annual Report, visit <https://www.cff.org/About-Us/Reports-and-Financials/>, email info@cff.org or call 1-800-FIGHT-CF.

A copy of the latest annual report may be obtained from the organization or from The Charities Bureau, Department of Law, 120 Broadway, New York, NY 10271.

Please consider making a 100% tax deductible gift today! You can donate online at finest.cff.org/wnyrisingstars.

Thank you in advance for your generous support of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation's Rising Stars program! With your support, we are *adding tomorrows* to the lives of those with cystic fibrosis.

With gratitude,

WNY Rising Stars Honoree