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TOWN OF PALM BEACH UNITED WAY TOCQUEVILLE SOCIETY DINNER CELEBRATES MAJOR DONORS, HONORS SUPPORTERS IRENE AND JIM KARP

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PALM BEACH, Fla. – The Town of Palm Beach United Way hosted the 31st Annual Alexis de Tocqueville Society Award Dinner Monday night at Club Colette in appreciation of its leading contributors. **Irene and Jim Karp** were honored with the “Distinguished Citizen Award” in front of a crowd of about 125 donors. The award is the highest accolade bestowed by the Town of Palm Beach United Way and recognizes unparalleled leadership in philanthropy.

Tocqueville Society members contribute \$10,000 or more each year to the Town of Palm Beach United Way’s Annual Campaign. **Phyllis and Bill Mack** and **Nicola and Jeff Marcus** are co-chairs of this year’s Tocqueville Society. To date, members have raised \$5,158,250. Since 1990, the society has distributed more than \$87 million to help individuals and families in need throughout Palm Beach County.

“It has been a privilege to see how the generosity of our donors truly makes a difference in the lives of people in need in our community,” said Bill Mack. “Thanks to the giving spirit of our remarkable Tocqueville donors, students are on track in school, families are healthier and more financially stable, and countless individuals are poised for brighter futures.”

The Distinguished Citizen Award is given each year to an individual or individuals who embody the spirit of philanthropy. They are community champions who have made numerous and long-lasting contributions to the health and welfare of Palm Beach County. Past honorees include **Norma and Bill Tiefel, Jana and John Scarpa, Michele Kessler, Thomas Quick, Danielle Moore** and **Patricia Cook**. (Full list attached)

Irene and Jim Karp have been loyal contributors to the Town of Palm Beach United Way for 15 years. They’ve also made generous contributions to hurricane recovery, hunger relief and other emergency funds. (Full bio attached)

“Irene and Jim Karp have donated significant time, expertise and resources to improving the quality of life of children and adults in Palm Beach County,” said Jeff Marcus. “Their efforts to serve the public good are evident through their longtime support of the Town of Palm Beach United Way and also through their passionate support of the arts and youth empowerment. They are rightly deserving of this award.”

Contributions to the Tocqueville Society represent more than 75% of the Town of Palm Beach United Way’s general campaign. Funds are currently helping support 79 health and human service programs at 42 nonprofit agencies in Palm Beach County that in turn serve more than 300,000 children and adults each year.

“Tocqueville members lead the way in creating the kind of change that truly transforms lives and communities,” said Board Chairman **Mary Freitas**. “Without leadership gifts, the Town of Palm Beach United Way would not be able to fund vital services that help bring families out of poverty and give children the foundation for success. We are eternally grateful for their generosity.”

The dinner was graciously underwritten by **First Horizon** for the 9th consecutive year.

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