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ASBURY PARK COMMUNITY MEMBERS HONORED AT THE 8TH ANNUAL ASBURY PARK MAYOR'S BALL

ASBURY PARK, NJ (Aug. 19, 2010) – Mayor Ed Johnson announced today the recipients of The 8th Annual Asbury Park Mayor's Ball Awards. Happening on September 11, in Asbury Park's famed Convention Hall Grand Arcade, The Mayor's Ball will honor community members who go above and beyond the call of duty in helping to better the city of Asbury Park. This year's honorees include: Mr. Chic Perrotto, Debbie DeLisa and Lance Larson, and Reverend Gerald Bailey.

The 8th Annual Mayor's Ball will commence on the evening of September 11, 2010 with a ceremony honoring America's men and women who serve our country and community. Following the time-honored, patriotic salute, community members will enjoy oceanfront, live entertainment, dinner and cocktails, fireworks, a charity poker tournament and more, as this year's Mayor's Ball Award winners are celebrated.

Recipients of the 8th Annual Asbury Park Mayor's Ball Awards include:

The Business Partnership Award – Mr. Chic Perrotto of Mr. C's Bistro. Mr. Perrotto, better known as Mr. C, is a dedicated supporter of the Asbury Park High School Bishops Football Team. For several years, Mr. C has donated his time, resources and restaurant – at great expense – to sponsor the Bishops Football Team Awards Banquet. Each year, the banquet brings together the Bishops Football Team, coaching staff, family and supporters to honor the team's accomplishments, recognize graduating seniors, encourage underclassman and emphasize the importance of teamwork and good sportsmanship. This annual event has become a tradition in Asbury Park varsity sports.

The Kevin G. Sanders Community Service Award – Debbie DeLisa and Lance Larson of The Wonder Bar. After re-opening the popular Wonder Bar, Debbie and Lance dedicated themselves to creating a business that both serves and honors the Asbury Park Community. In addition to "Keeping The Music Alive in Asbury Park," both have made The Wonder Bar a regular and active home of fundraising benefits and activities that support our men and women in uniform, local law enforcement and

firefighters, and children and families in our community. In addition, Debbie and Lance have committed themselves to helping raise awareness of the plight of neglected and stray animals in the area. Their efforts have helped provide shelter and locate new homes for pets in need.

The Michael Brim Humanitarian Award – Reverend Gerald Bailey of Allen Chapel AME in Asbury Park. At the forefront of creating an educated and united Asbury Park community, Reverend Gerald Bailey works tirelessly with philanthropic organizations throughout Asbury Park in hopes of bettering the future of the city. He spends time with Allen Chapel and The Hyacinth AIDS Foundation to promote preventative care and supply treatment for HIV and AIDS patients. In addition, Pastor Bailey was one of the founding partners of Stop the Violence Summer Camp, a program that aims to end violence through youth outreach and summer programs. Through the years, Pastor Bailey has become a mentor and an outlet for many in the community of Asbury Park who are in need of guidance, support and education.

To learn more about the Mayor's Ball, or to purchase tickets to this year's fundraising event, please contact Ms. Kiki Tomek at (732) 502-5721 or kiki.tomek@cityofasburypark.com. Follow the Foundation on [Facebook](#) at Asbury Park Mayor's Ball.

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