Dear Friends of JACK'S PLACE for Autism Foundation.

We hope this letter finds you and your families well during this challenging time.

The year 2020 was scheduled to be extremely busy for us at JACK'S PLACE. As the needs in our communities grow, so have programs and services JACK'S PLACE provides. Our calendar was jammed packed with fundraising events, and community outreach for each month of the year. In addition, we were looking forward to a Major Fundraising Event with lots of hard work and lots of fun! Due to the pandemic all our plans were cancelled.

Fundraising is our primary source of income to accomplish our Mission of providing support. education, compassion, and a comprehensive array of services to individuals and families affected by the everyday challenges of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Since 2002, Your continued support has helped us serve over 11,500 individuals, families, and caregivers.

However, during the pandemic the needs of our Michigan families affected by ASD does not stop. In fact, according to data from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) the rate of children diagnosed with ASD is now 1 in 54 (https://www.cdc.gov).

Do you remember our last Major Fundraiser - "Dancing with the All-Stars"? Our plans for this year topped that one! We are keeping the theme under wraps for now with hopes that 2021 will be a brighter year.

With so many people needing help, we hope you will continue your friendship and support us once again this year at the level you did at "Dancing with the All-Stars" or as you have in the past. Tickets prices to this event have never increased - \$300.00 per individual and \$5,000.00 per table.

With the uncertainty of the USPS and due to guidelines and restrictions imposed during the pandemic, we are working offsite. For your convenience and security, please make your credit card donation via our secure website https://www.jacksplaceforautism.org. We accept American Express, Discover, MasterCard and VISA.

If you prefer to write a check, please make it payable to JACK'S PLACE for Autism Foundation a mail to:

> JACK'S PLACE for Autism Foundation c/o Maryjane Gaspar **Director of Finance** 21 Village Lane Grosse Pointe, MI 48230

We wish you and your families a blessed and joyous Holiday Season! Please stay safe and stay healthy.

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