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LOEWS HOTELS & RESORTS DONATES FURNITURE TO AID THE CITY'S RELIEF EFFORTS

Loews Donates Over 3,600 Pieces of Furniture from the Loews Regency Hotel

The Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City today announced that Loews Hotel & Resorts and Jonathan Tisch, Chairman of Loews Hotels & Resorts, donated more than 3,600 pieces of furniture from the Loews Regency Hotel to support New York City's relief efforts. The announcement was made at the Coney Island Seaside Senior Center, one of the City's senior centers affected by Hurricane Sandy and a recipient of a portion of the donation. The center, sponsored by the Jewish Community Council of Greater Coney Island (JCCGCI), is a Department for the Aging (DFTA) senior center. The contents of the hotel were donated to the Mayor's Fund as the Loews Regency Hotel is temporarily closed to complete its renovation.

"A significant part of the City's rebuilding effort is focused on providing the necessary support to nonprofits and service providers in the most storm-impacted communities," said Megan Sheekey, President of the Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City. "This donation from the Loews Regency Hotel is a testament to the private sector's commitment to help our City and its residents come back even stronger."

"After more than three months, many families, businesses and organizations are still feeling the effects of Superstorm Sandy," said Jonathan Tisch, Chairman of Loews Hotels & Resorts. "I'm pleased to partner with the Mayor's Fund and U.Santini to donate these items from the Loews Regency Hotel and assist in the recovery process."

"JCCGCI and its thousands of elderly clients ravaged by Hurricane Sandy express profound gratitude to the Mayor's Fund and Loews Hotels & Resorts for their concern and generosity," said Rabbi Moshe Wiener, Executive Director of the Jewish Community Council of Greater Coney Island. "It is remarkable that a distinguished corporation such as Loews proactively reached out to offer such substantive assistance at this challenging time."

The Jewish Community Council of Greater Coney Island and the Seaside Senior Center were severely impacted by Hurricane Sandy. The Loews Regency Hotel donation will help replenish lost items including refrigerators, rugs, conference room tables and televisions at the center.

The donation to the Seaside Senior Center is part of a larger donation from the Loews Regency Hotel of beds, couches, nightstands, televisions, conference tables, rugs and more. The donation will be used to furnish temporary housing units for families displaced by Hurricane Sandy. A portion of the

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donation will also benefit nonprofits and community organizations affected areas to replace what was lost in the storm.

The Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to innovative public-private partnerships and programs for the City of New York, is accepting financial donations to support hurricane relief efforts. One hundred percent of donations are being dispersed to relief efforts and organizations. Grant funds have helped to support the supply and transport of emergency needs including hot food, toiletries, baby supplies, cleaning materials, warm clothing and medications to communities hit hardest by the hurricane. The Mayor's Fund is also committed to longer-term rebuilding and restoration efforts including assistance for displaced families, schools, small businesses, nonprofit organizations, parks and other impacted groups. In addition to securing in-kind donations, the Mayor's Fund has raised more than \$54 million to aid the City's recovery and restoration projects.

For more information on the Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City visit www.nyc.gov/fund and to donate:

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- **Online:** www.nyc.gov/fund
- **Call:** 212-788-7794
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