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Dear Friend and Business Owner:

Autism spectrum disorders have literally become an epidemic among our children. Although it is one of the least understood developmental disorders, it is also one of the most common -- striking 1 of every 91 individuals. Over 1 million Americans presently have autism. It is four times more prevalent in boys than girls. Funds are desperately needed to advance autism-related therapy, intervention, and education techniques.

The Autism Project of Palm Beach County (APPBC), a non-profit organization, is on the front lines in supporting individuals with autism spectrum disorders in Palm Beach County. APPBC will be holding its 11th annual **Renaissance Food & Wine Festival** fundraising event to benefit children with autism spectrum disorders in our county. This exciting social event includes a cocktail reception with appetizers, open wine bar, music, and silent and live auctions.

This year's Festival will be held on March 10, 2012 at the charming Downtown at the Gardens. Through sponsorships and auction proceeds, the annual Festival raises money to support the operation of the Renaissance Learning Center, a charter school serving children with autism spectrum disorders ages 3 to 14, and the Renaissance Learning Academy serving students with autism spectrum disorders ages 14 to 21.

You can be of great assistance by donating an item to be auctioned, making a donation to APPBC, or by becoming an event sponsor. As an event sponsor, you can purchase a one-half page ad for \$250.00 or a full page ad for \$500.00. Event sponsors will receive complimentary admission for two to the Festival, as well as a special acknowledgment at the event. Your support will directly go to helping children with autism spectrum disorders, because all of our fundraising and event workers are unpaid volunteers. We also invite you to attend this year's Festival, and to bring friends, spouses, and business associates.

Included for your reference is a gift acknowledgment form. Thank you in advance for your support. We look forward to seeing you at the Festival.

Sincerely,

Dick Busto, Event Chair
Shelly Hedge, Event Chair
Kyle Henderson, Event Chair
Niki Meza, Event Chair



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