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New York Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children
5th Annual Spring Luncheon

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Award-winning actress, and author, Drew Barrymore delivers speech at VIP luncheon with leaders from business, politics, arts, culture and philanthropy to raise awareness about child abuse and neglect

DREW BARRYMORE SPEAKS OUT AGAINST CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT AT THE NEW YORK SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO CHILDREN (NYSPPC) 5TH ANNUAL SPRING LUNCHEON

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New York, NY – April 12, 2016 –The New York Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NYSPCC) hosted its annual Spring Luncheon in Manhattan today featuring Actress, Author, and Mother, Drew Barrymore. Ms. Barrymore will deliver a speech and read passages from her critically praised bestselling new book, *Wildflower*. More than 250 distinguished guests, including New York City business leaders, public officials and philanthropists, gathered at the Pierre Hotel for the annual charity event.

The NYSPCC Spring Luncheon is dedicated to raising awareness about child abuse, neglect and maltreatment and the critical importance of community efforts to prevent and combat them.

“Even before I was a mother I was always drawn to charities that helped children,” said Ms. Barrymore. “I’ve spent many weeks in Africa over the years with the School Feeding Program and building the Barrymore Academy. And now, as a mother, I take any opportunity I can to help children’s charities such as the NYSPCC. The work they do to protect children is truly incredible and I’m honored to have been a part of this event.”

“With Drew Barrymore lending her support for our work, we’ve added a powerful voice to the effort to raise awareness and ensure that people understand that the issue of child abuse and neglect is urgent and critical,” said Dr. Mary L. Pulido, Executive Director of The NYSPCC. We thank Drew for serving as a remarkable champion for children.”

For 141 years, The NYSPCC has worked to keep all kids safe from neglect and abuse through education, research, advocacy and collaboration, and working with students, educators, law enforcement, healthcare, and community leaders, to provide training and resources for the protection of children who are victims of child abuse and neglect.

The annual Spring Luncheon helps commemorate National Child Abuse Prevention Month, and the program will help raise awareness on the most common form of child maltreatment, one of the world’s most tragic injustices.

The luncheon co-chairs were The Society’s Board of Directors Maarit Glocer, Valesca Guerrand-Hermès, Elizabeth Mayhew, Joan Granlund and supporters, Tania Higgins, Connie Newberry. The co-chairs helped raise money for the Trauma Recovery Program this year, which will be used for training in New York City schools. Last year’s funding resulted in new programs for two Bronx public schools.

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At the request of The NYSPCC, The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey and The Durst Organization will light the One World Trade Center spire in blue to commemorate National Child Abuse Prevention Month tonight.

To learn more about The New York Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, visit <http://www.nyspcc.org/>

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About The New York Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children

The New York Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NYSPCC), founded in 1875, is the first – *and one of the most highly respected* – child protective agencies in the world. The NYSPCC responds to the complex needs of abused and neglected children, and those involved in their care, by providing best practice counseling, legal and educational services. Through research, communications and training initiatives, we work to expand these programs to prevent abuse and help more children heal. The NYSPCC's unique work is used as a model for child welfare agencies across the nation. Since its founding, The NYSPCC has investigated more than 650,000 cases on the behalf of over two million children, and has educated over 50,000 professionals on how to identify and report child abuse and neglect. Please visit www.nyspcc.org for more information.