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The Annual Dinner Reception of the Tri-State Italian-American Congress will take place on Tuesday, June 6, 2023, at the Metropolitan Club located at One East 60th Street in New York City. John and Margo Catsimatidis will be honored during the event. His Eminence Timothy Cardinal Dolan, the Archbishop of New York, will be our distinguished guest of honor.

John Catsimatidis is the founder, owner, and operator of Red Apple Group, as well as the author of the newly released autobiography "How Far Do You Want to Go? Lessons from a Common-Sense Billionaire." Along with his wife Margo, John has overseen the growth of Red Apple Group into a diversified corporation with holdings in supermarkets, energy, aviation, retail, real estate, baseball, entertainment, and media. The company employs nearly 10,000 Americans.

In 2020, John and Margo purchased the legendary WABC radio. Under their leadership, 77 WABC went from 28th in the market to 4th. WABC represents the diverse communities in New York and America with a common-sense approach to issues that confront our world. WABC recently celebrated its 100th anniversary and the impact it has had on the lives of its listeners and looks forward to exploring new ideas for the future.

John and Margo are committed to giving back to their community. Margo has gained national recognition for her work in heritage preservation and was awarded the Ellis Island Medal of Honor in 2000 in recognition of her achievements.

Your support and participation in the dinner and video ad journal will enable us not only to continue our growing scholarship programs for Italian-American students, but also to increase Tri-State's contributions to other worthy causes.

To ensure convenience, we encourage you to register online at <u>TRISIAC.org</u>. Enclosed with this letter, you will also find ticket and journal reservation cards. Additionally, information can be found on our website at <u>www.TRISIAC.org</u>.

We look forward to welcoming you on Tuesday, June 6th. Thank you for your support.

Most sincerely,

Louis Vele
President

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