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***A NOTE OF THANKS FROM BENHAVEN'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN CELEBRATION OF  
DIRECT SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS' WEEK 2023***

To All of Benhaven's Direct Support Professionals,

On behalf of Benhaven's Board of Directors, I write to thank each and every one of you for your extraordinary efforts every day in supporting the people in our community. Whether you are providing care for someone who needs assistance with every activity of daily living, helping a new high school graduate find their first job, or helping a long-time Benhaven individual move into their older years with grace and dignity, your commitment to Benhaven's mission is evident every day.

Your excellent work is the embodiment of our mission: to enable people with autism and pervasive developmental disabilities to participate in community life, exercise productive control over their own lives, have meaningful relationships, and associations, be gainfully employed, and experience happiness and personal satisfaction.

Your compassion, heart and professionalism are at the heart of our success and we are grateful to each of you. So much is asked of you each day, but you rise to the challenge and the difference you make in the lives of those we serve and their families is immeasurable. So, with a humble heart, we thank you for all you do.

Sincerely,

Carl Casper, Board Chair  
Thomas Igoe, Board Treasurer and Secretary  
Ken Cabral, President & Board member  
Eileen Clark, Board Member  
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