**UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST**

**CONGREGATION OF ROCKLAND**

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Dear \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,

UUCR is a non-profit 501(c)(3) faith-based organization, with tax ID # 13-2934837. We are holding a gala fundraising auction on Oct. 21, 2017. We’ll have food, drinks and music, with a silent auction followed by an exciting live auction. We’re expecting about 100 attendees.

We would greatly appreciate your tax-deductible donation of merchandise or a gift certificate from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. We’ll auction your donation to the highest bidder in either the silent or live auction. You’ll be listed in our auction catalog as a donor, as well as being recognized by the auctioneer or on the silent auction bidding sheet.

We’d be happy to share more with you about UUCR and our mission. Here is just a sampling: UUCR provides a liberal religious education to our children and youth. We are a founding congregational member of the Save Haven program of Helping Hands of Rockland County. That means that each winter we open our doors on about nine different nights to 30-35 homeless guests who need a hot meal and a warm place to sleep for the night. Volunteers from the congregation prepare and serve the meal, and stay overnight with the guests. Another activity is our annual Easter can hunt, when children hunt for cans of pet food that are then donated to our local animal shelter. Our youth group is also active in many community service opportunities. We participate every year in Rockland County’s Pride Day events and a local Martin Luther King Day celebration.

Our auction is entirely run by volunteers, and the amount bid for your donation will all go toward supporting our congregation. Please let us know if you have any questions or need more information. Thank you for your consideration and support.

Sincerely,