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The Legal Aid Society Honored as “Flagstar Harbor Hero of the Game” by Staten Island FerryHawks

Recognition Highlights Organization’s 150 Years of Service to New Yorkers

(STATEN ISLAND, NY) — The Legal Aid Society was honored as “Flagstar Harbor Hero of the Game” by the Staten Island FerryHawks during the team’s June 12 game at Staten Island University Hospital Community Park, recognizing the organization’s longstanding commitment to serving Staten Island communities and advancing justice for New Yorkers.

Staff from The Legal Aid Society’s Staten Island office were recognized during an on-field ceremony prior to the game, joined by colleagues, families, and community partners in celebration of the organization’s impact across New York City.

The Legal Aid Society will also welcome the Staten Island community to a free event on Thursday, September 3, at Snug Harbor Cultural Center & Botanical Garden, featuring a screening of Mad Hot Ballroom in partnership with Rooftop Films. The screening will mark the 20th anniversary of the beloved documentary and will also feature live performances by Staten Island dancers and musical acts.

“For 150 years, The Legal Aid Society has fought to ensure that every New Yorker — regardless of income, background, or circumstance — has access to justice,” said **Twyla Carter, Attorney-in-Chief and Chief Executive Officer of The Legal Aid Society**. “We are grateful to the Staten Island FerryHawks for this recognition and proud to celebrate alongside the Staten Island community and the staff whose dedication makes this work possible every day.”

The recognition comes as The Legal Aid Society marks its 150th anniversary through a series of public programs, cultural partnerships, and community events across New York City, including upcoming collaborations with El Museo del Barrio and the Queens Museum.

As part of the anniversary celebration, The New York Historical is currently hosting “[Delivering Justice: 150 Years of The Legal Aid Society](#),” on view through July 5, 2026. The exhibit examines Legal Aid’s role in shaping New York City’s legal and social landscape through archival materials, historic photographs, original documents, and contemporary artwork exploring the intersection of justice, advocacy, and social change.

Photos from the event are available here (credit: Jason Smallwood at The Legal Aid Society):

<https://tinyurl.com/2cy7espu>

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The Legal Aid Society is a nonprofit law firm that exists for one simple yet powerful reason: to ensure that New Yorkers are not denied their right to equal justice because of poverty. For 150 years, we have protected, defended, and advocated for those who have struggled in silence for far too long. Every day, in every borough, The Legal Aid Society changes the lives of the people we serve and helps improve our communities.

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