



THE CITY OF NEW YORK
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
NEW YORK, NY 10007

September 14, 2019

Dear Friends:

I am delighted to join BraveHearts in welcoming everyone to its third annual “Trail to Zero” ride through New York City in honor of National Suicide Prevention Awareness month.

Connecting our military community to the resources and care they need to thrive and transition successfully into civilian life is a critical part of our duty to those who have worn our nation’s uniform. Under the leadership of the New York City Department of Veterans’ Services, my administration is working hard to ensure that veterans throughout the five boroughs have access to the mental health support, careers, housing, health benefits, and education they deserve. Through its equine rehabilitation services, BraveHearts has demonstrated outstanding leadership in this mission, offering therapeutic riding lessons to veterans at no cost. Today’s “Trail to Zero” ride in our city serves as a beacon of hope and solidarity for the thousands of veterans who call the five boroughs home, and I applaud BraveHearts for all it has done to combat depression in this community and uplift our nation’s heroes.

On behalf of the City of New York, congratulations to all of today’s participants. Please accept my best wishes for a terrific event and continued success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill de Blasio".

Bill de Blasio
Mayor