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*Lundbeck Presents*

Evening in The Maritimes' celebrating 24 years of funding for Citizen Advocacy's Everyday Champions program

[OTTAWA, ON May 18, 2018] – The stage is set for the **24<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Evening in the Maritimes**, featuring a dose of Maritime hospitality and generosity. At this sold out event, our guests will feel as if they have travelled to an east coast party full of food, drinks, friends, and fun! For over two decades this spectacular fundraiser has supported Citizen Advocacy Ottawa, a small but impactful charity dedicated to reducing isolation and vulnerability for thousands of people living with disabilities in our region.

**Master of Ceremonies, Graham Richardson** will be **joined by more than 650 guests, including dignitaries, business leaders, Parliamentarians and local supporters**. The 2018 edition of Evening in The Maritimes will feature an amazing silent auction, live auction and much anticipated balloon raffle with a total value of over \$116,000 in prizes! Items have been generously donated from the Ottawa area, across Canada and around the world. Items include an 11-day cruise exploring the Antarctica Peninsula and an exclusive dinner for ten at the German Embassy.

Since its inaugural event 24 years ago, **Evening in The Maritimes, has grown into one of Ottawa's premier fundraising galas, raising more than \$1.7 million for Citizen Advocacy Ottawa.**

Citizen Advocacy supports people of all ages across the disability spectrum. Many of them are alone, isolated and vulnerable. Citizen Advocacy establishes a match between a volunteer and a person with a disability ensuring participation in community life, companionship, emotional support and everyday help. Over the years, the magic of these intentional friendships has transformed lives and resulted in rewarding relationships that have flourished over decades.

**Lundbeck Presents 'Evening in The Maritimes' 24<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

**Date:** Wednesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018  
**Time:** 5:30pm – Cocktail Reception  
6:30 – Dinner/Auctions/Entertainment  
**Where:** Hilton Lac-Leamy  
**Who:** Honorary Co-chairs – Senator Vernon White & David Cork (Scotia McLeod)  
**Entertainment:** Cocktail Reception – Macdonald Highland Dancers, The Ramblin Fiddlers and The Ottawa Police Pipe Band  
**Social Media:** @CitAdvocacyOtt #EITM2018 facebook.com/CitizenAdvocacy

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