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COMPTROLLER THOMAS DINAPOLI HONORED BY THE INN AT BEN'S OLDE TIME NY DELI EVENT

Hempstead, NY (Oct. 22, 2012)— A crowd of over 125 dined on delicious deli delicacies at the Ben's Olde Time New York Deli Celebration, all with a goal of helping The INN, and pay tribute to New York State Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli on Monday, Oct. 15, 2012.

While Ronnie Dragoon, Founder/Owner of Ben's Delicatessen Restaurant and Caterers, sliced fresh pastrami and spooned coleslaw, Comptroller DiNapoli addressed attendees reminding them of his Long Island roots, as well as the growing population of those in need locally.



Pictured (left to right) Robert Kammerer, Board Member, The INN; Thomas DiNapoli, New York State Comptroller; Ronnie Dragoon, Founder/Owner, Ben's Delicatessen Restaurant and Caterers; and Jean Kelly, Executive Director, The INN.

Ben's Kosher Deli, also a longtime supporter of The INN, gave 100 percent of the event's proceeds to The INN, which totaled \$11,250. For more information on this event, or other INN events, contact Joe Barry, INN Director of Fundraising, at (516) 486-8506 ext. 106 or e-mail: jbarry@the-inn.org. Visit our website at www.the-inn.org.

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The INN (Interfaith Nutrition Network) is a dynamic, not-for-profit, volunteer-based organization working to resolve Long Island's hunger and homelessness issues by providing food, shelter, long-term housing, and supportive services in a dignified and respectful manner to families and individuals seeking assistance. A dedicated staff, committed volunteers, and broad-based community support help The INN to deliver its services through 16 soup kitchens in 22 locations, three homeless shelters, and a Long Term Housing Program consisting of 23 housing units for families and housing for up to seven veterans. As one of Long Island's largest private social service agencies, The INN is ranked among the most cost-effective charities in the United States. For more information on The INN please visit www.the-inn.org or call (516) 486-8506.

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