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Dear Rhode Island Residents,

Hamilton Relay, the contracted service provider of Rhode Island is seeking your assistance in identifying candidates for the Hamilton Relay 2015 Better Hearing and Speech Month Recognition Award.

We are looking for individuals who are hard of hearing, late-deafened or have difficulty speaking and who have been a positive influence in Rhode Island, demonstrating commitment to volunteerism, leadership, advocacy and enhancing the lives of those around them. The award will be presented around Better Hearing and Speech Month in May.

Is there someone you wish to nominate for 2015?

Hamilton Relay Better Hearing and Speech Month Recognition Award Recipients from previous years include:

Olivia Williams - 2014
Christine "Tina" Thompson - 2012
James Litvack - 2011

A questionnaire is attached to assist in providing information about your candidate, including a brief description about the individual and what this person has done that causes you to nominate him/her. Please send your nominations directly to me **by April 1st** via e-mail or by mail. My contact information is included under my signature below.

Celebrating community leaders during Better Hearing and Speech Month in May is something we look forward to each year. Thank you in advance for your participation in nominating deserving individuals from your community.

Sincerely,

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Hamilton Relay
2015 Better Hearing and Speech Month Recognition Award

Due April 1, 2015 • PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Objective: To recognize an individual in each of Hamilton's contracted states who is hard of hearing, late-deafened, or has difficulty speaking and who demonstrates strong leadership, volunteerism and involvement within his/her community.

Name of Candidate: _____

(Please note that this award is presented to one individual within your state each year. Organizations, schools, associations, groups of individuals, and individuals who are deceased are not eligible for this award.)

Candidate's Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Please circle: Voice TTY CapTel VP Other _____

Email/Pager addresses: _____

The candidate: is hard of hearing is late-deafened has difficulty speaking

- How has the candidate been active and/or made an impact in his/her community? Please focus primarily on providing information pertaining to the volunteer efforts and accomplishments he/she has done outside of his/her career and/or regular job duties.

- List the complete names of associations, organizations, clubs or other activities in which your candidate has been involved. Include position(s) held, term length and any other pertinent details.

