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MAYOR'S CHARITY EVENT RAISES FUNDS, SMILES, AND COMMUNITY CONNECTION

Mayor Frank Campion's annual charity event raised many smiles and necessary funds for a handful of charities on Nov. 9, 2018. The event, *Hometown Culture: An evening with Mayor Campion*, brought nearly 100 guests to the Croatian Hall to celebrate the city's multiculturalism while supporting local charities.

This year's Mayor's Charity Event raised a total of \$16,960 in support of the Niagara Community Foundation: Welland Mayor's Children & Youth Fund, Niagara Nutrition Partners, YMCA Pro Kids, and Family and Children Services.

The annual event also attracted an inspiring list of generous sponsors. Welland Hydro Electric System Corp. came forward as the presenting sponsor. Wayne Armstrong represented the company during the ceremony and graciously accepted the presenting sponsor honour of the evening.

Other benevolent and community-minded businesses who donated to the evening included: Ashton Homes, PenFinancial Credit Union, Walker Industries, BCM Insurance Company, Emterra Environmental, Laurent Viger construction, L. J. Walters Insurance Brokers Ltd., Youngs Insurance Brokers Inc., Travelodge Fallsview Hotel, Welded Tube of Canada, and Rankin Construction Inc.,

"The success of this evening shows in how many people are in attendance," said Mayor Frank Campion. "Their generosity and support are greatly appreciated because they're not only investing their time, they're also investing their faith in our community and making a difference in many lives."

The Mayor's Charity has been celebrating community compassion for more than a decade. The event typically takes place in the autumn, is hosted at a variety of venues within the city, and adopts creative and inspirational themes to make the event welcoming and entertaining. For more information on City of Welland of events visit welland.ca, or for more information on the Mayor's Charity Event contact Theresa Ettore at 905 735-1700 Ext. 2101.

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