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September 25, 2017

Tara Hargadon, Office of the Mayor City of Annapolis 160 Duke of Gloucester Street Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Ms. Hargadon:

The Honoree Committee is submitting Elevate Church to receive the Martha Wood Leadership Award for October, 2017. The Church was selected for continuous and dedicated involvement in Youth Programs at the Harbour House/Eastport Terrace location of the Housing Authority of the City of Annapolis.

Elevate Church began involvement in January, 2015 assisting children with homework and providing arts and crafts at the Eastport Community Center; in July of that year, the Church provided a weeklong Sports Camp at the Community Center, as well as the summer of 2017 introducing various crafts and team sports. During the 2015-2016 School Year Elevate Church began directing the Tuesday Afterschool Learning Experience at the Center in partnership with another Organization. The impetus was providing children in the Program experiences with STEM tools (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) as well as focusing on family building skills. The same type of experience was repeated (with local Field Trips) during the 2016 – 2017 School Year and is planned with expansion to Wednesdays as well for the 2017 – 2018 School Year.

For a keen sense of Community Involvement, it is with pleasure that the Honoree Committee has selected Elevate Church as the seventieth recipient of the prestigious Martha Wood Leadership Award.

Sincerely,

The Honoree Committee

