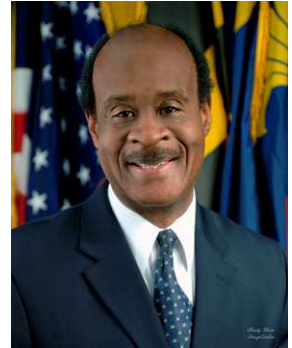




OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE
ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND 20850

Isiah Leggett
County Executive

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Dear Friends:

Congratulations to the officers and members of the CBN-MC on tonight's 19th annual scholarship and awards Gala. I speak for all those who live and work in our community in thanking CBN-MC for its contributions throughout the year toward making Montgomery County a better place to live and to do business. Through your enduring contributions to Catholic education and other community services for youth, each of your members plays a significant role in enriching not only the lives and faith of our children who attend Catholic schools, but, through your example, our entire community. Thanks, also, to your loyal Emmy award winning emcee, WTTG Fox 5 weather expert, Sue Palka. The combination of Sue, your honoree, and other presenters tonight promises for yet another memorable evening!

Each year the CBN honors one of its business leaders as Catholic Business Person of the Year. The list of past honorees is among the most impressive community committed business leaders anywhere. My friend, Kevin Sexton, without question, is worthy of inclusion on this revered list. As President and CEO of Holy Cross Hospital he has led the hospital to the highest levels of quality patient care. We are proud that this Montgomery County hospital has been recognized for two consecutive years as a Top-Performing hospital by the Joint Commission on Hospital Accreditation. Holy Cross is the only hospital in Maryland to achieve this. Kevin has been recognized by his peers in Maryland as a model administrator. As County Executive, I am especially grateful to Kevin for his leadership in helping us to provide high quality health care to 100,000 low-income and uninsured residents. During his tenure, he with the support of his Board and the Sisters of the Holy Cross, has made access to health care for all residents a community service priority and followed up by opening three community clinics in Montgomery County, serving thousands of people. While many hospitals are closing, Holy Cross is building a new hospital in Germantown. For these reasons and more, he is a most worthy recipient of your honor this evening and serves as a model for responsible business leadership.

Thank you once again for all you do for our community and have a wonderful time this evening.

Sincerely,

Isiah Leggett
County Executive