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Dear Friends,

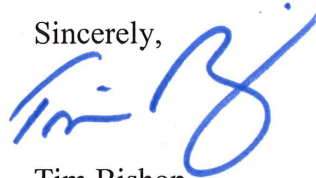
On behalf my constituents in New York's First Congressional District, I warmly welcome you to the second edition of Art Southampton presented by Art Miami on the East End.

The inaugural Art Southampton added a new chapter to the rich cultural heritage of Eastern Long Island by showcasing the finest international contemporary and modern art in the heart of our community. In addition, by attracting thousands of visitors from around the world and employing local businesses and residents, Art Southampton was a tremendous economic boon last summer.

I applaud Art Southampton for its generous financial support of local non-profit organizations, including the Southampton Fresh Air Home, Ross School, The Watermill Center and Southampton Hospital. These partnerships have only been strengthened this year, with Art Southampton selecting Southampton Hospital as the beneficiary for its VIP Preview and providing its state-of-the-art pavilion as venue for the 55th Annual Southampton Hospital Summer Party on August 3.

Art Southampton has enhanced the East End's position as a major international cultural destination and serves as a highlight of the summer season. I am pleased to welcome all attendees to this celebration of artistic excellence and to the unparalleled natural beauty and world-class amenities our community offers to residents and guests alike.

Sincerely,



Tim Bishop
Member of Congress

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