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MEDIA RELEASE

14TH ANNUAL YWCA SUDBURY

WOMEN OF DISTINCTION AWARDS GALA 2020

FOR RELEASE ON: **MONDAY SEPTEMBER 28, 2020**

YWCA SUDBURY'S WOMEN OF DISTINCTION AWARDS MOVES TO ONLINE VENUE

YWCA SUDBURY IS CHANGING THINGS UP THIS YEAR IN ORDER TO FOLLOW THE DIRECTIVES AROUND COVID-19 AND STILL BE ABLE TO RECOGNIZE THIS YEAR'S WOMEN OF DISTINCTION AWARDS RECIPIENTS. THE GALA THAT WAS SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2020 IS CANCELLED. "WE ARE VERY DISAPPOINTED THAT WE ARE UNABLE TO HONOUR THIS YEAR'S WOMEN OF DISTINCTION AT THE GALA BUT WE HAVE COME UP WITH A GREAT ALTERNATIVE AND WILL BE HIGHLIGHTING EACH ONE OF THEM ON AN ONLINE FORUM BEGINNING JANUARY, 2021" SAID MARLENE GORMAN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. ALL AWARDS RECIPIENTS AND SPONSORS HAVE BEEN VERY UNDERSTANDING AND LOOK FORWARD TO THE ONLINE EVENT.

YWCA SUDBURY WILL BE INTRODUCING A NEW WOMAN OF DISTINCTION ON THE 2ND AND 4TH WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH STARTING WITH OUR YOUNG WOMAN OF DISTINCTION ON JANUARY 13, 2021 ON OUR YWCA SUDBURY FACEBOOK PAGE (YWCA Sudbury) AND OUR WEBSITE (www.ywcasudbury.ca).

SCHEDULE OF INTRODUCTIONS FOR WOMEN OF DISTINCTION 2020:

JAN. 13, 2021	JALEE PELISSIER
JAN. 27, 2021	ASHLEY KIRWAN
FEB. 10, 2021	TANNYS LAUGHREN
FEB. 24, 2021	MARY MICHASIW
MAR. 10, 2021	LESLIE KUNTO
MAR. 24, 2021	GILLIAN SCHELL
APR. 14, 2021	WOMEN IN SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING (W.I.S.E.)

ANYONE WHO PURCHASED TICKETS FOR THE GALA CAN CHOOSE TO DONATE SOME OR ALL OF THE TICKET PRICE TO YWCA SUDBURY IN EXCHANGE FOR A CHARITABLE RECEIPT, OR THEY CAN RECEIVE A FULL REFUND. CONTACT ASHLEY AT 705-673-4754 EXT. 310 OR A.MCCARVELL@YWCASUDBURY.CA FOR MORE INFORMATION.