January 29, 2014

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF AMERICA

Mr. Kenneth J. Allen c/o Boys & Girls Clubs of Porter County 354 W Jefferson St Valparaiso, IN 46383

Dear Mr. Allen:

Congratulations on becoming an honored member of *The Jeremiah Milbank Society* for 2013. This national recognition society is designed to encourage and promote individual giving of unrestricted funds to Boys & Girls Clubs as part of the annual campaign strategy.

We feel it is important to publicly recognize and appreciate people who do extraordinary things for children. In selecting a name for our national giving society, we turned to one of the finest examples in the history of the Boys & Girls Club Movement, Jeremiah Milbank. A life-long volunteer, Jeremiah Milbank gave of himself generously. His extraordinary, long term concern for youth and those in difficult circumstances helped shape Boys & Girls Clubs of America. He drew no distinction between illness in the physical sense, which could disable or kill, and illness in the social sense, which deprived children of a fair chance in life. His altruism served as our inspiration for *The Jeremiah Milbank Society*.

As we work together to enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens, we continue to fulfill the vision of a future where success is within reach of every child. As a member of *The Jeremiah Milbank Society*, you are providing the leadership and support needed to your Boys & Girls Club to achieve this vision. Without you, the Club would not be able to grow and provide meaningful programs that change and save children's lives.

Enclosed is your 2013 *Jeremiah Milbank Society* lapel pin. I hope you will wear it proudly and be prepared to share what it symbolizes. By passionately speaking with others about how your support positively shapes the lives of children in your community, you may inspire them to join you and become an advocate for young people as well.

I also hope you will plan to join us for Boys & Girls Clubs of America's annual National Conference from **April 30-May 2, 2014 in San Francisco**. At that time, we will come together to discuss important issues, plan for the future and recognize you as a member of **The Jeremiah Milbank Society**, at the exclusive event for members of the Individual Giving Societies.

Jeremiah Milbank gave of himself, through both his genuine compassion for others and his financial support. Thank you for doing the same.

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Sincerely

Many haven for your support to create for kids!

The **Jeremiah Milbank** Society