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Senator Phillips Secures \$100,000 For The Manhasset Women's Coalition Against Breast Cancer's Outreach Program

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Continuing her efforts to support women's healthcare services on Long Island, Senator Elaine Phillips announced that she has secured \$100,000 for the Manhasset Women's Coalition Against Breast Cancer (MWCABC). The funding will be used by its Outreach Program for educational programming on breast cancer awareness, prevention and women's wellness, as well as targeted support services to help women and their families as they fight and recover from cancer.

Senator Phillips recently met with members of the coalition to discuss some of the organization's programs and initiatives for cancer services that will help improve the lives of Long Island women.

"Roughly 1 in 8 women in our country will develop breast cancer during their lifetime and here on Long Island, cancer rates are unfortunately higher than average. Our region is fortunate to have the Manhasset Women's Coalition Against Breast Cancer and its unique Outreach Program serving those in need in our local community," said Senator Phillips. "Early detection is paramount and when found early enough, breast cancer is highly treatable. Next month is National Breast Cancer month and this vital funding will jumpstart MWCABC's annual efforts to raise funding for research advocacy, educational outreach and services to those with breast cancer and related diseases."

"There are not enough words to convey our sincere appreciation for this grant awarded to the MWCABC Outreach Program through the efforts of Senator Phillips," said Lori Kearns, VP Outreach. "It will allow us to continue with our mission to empower our community by providing assistance and inspiring hope to those affected by breast cancer and their families through outreach, education and support services. Thank you again, Senator Phillips, on behalf of all connected to Outreach, especially myself and my co-chairs, Sabine Hairabedian, Lynn Minutillo and Dorothy Forte, for standing up for women's health initiatives!"

The funding is part of a resolution passed earlier this year by the New York State Senate to support a range of community-based investments in cancer prevention and treatment, maternal health initiatives, help for new mothers with substance abuse problems, and other programs to improve mental, emotional, and physical well-being.

The Manhasset Women's Coalition Against Breast Cancer is an all-volunteer, charitable organization founded to unite the women of Manhasset in the fight

against breast cancer. For further information visit: www.manhassetbreastcancer.org