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Sons of the Revolution<sup>sM</sup> in the State of New York, Inc. to present Distinguished Patriot Award to former New York Governor George E. Pataki at its annual George Washington Birthday Ball.

**New York**: On Friday, February 25, 2022, Sons of the Revolution<sup>sM</sup> in the State of New York, Inc. (SRNY) will host the 145<sup>th</sup> annual George Washington Birthday Ball in honor of George Washington and to benefit Fraunces Tavern<sup>®</sup> Museum. This year's **Distinguished Patriot Award** will be presented to **former New York Governor George E. Pataki**.

The evening will feature a host of patriotic festivities to celebrate the 290<sup>th</sup> anniversary of George Washington's birthday, including a procession featuring displays of historic flags led by SRNY's Color Guard and the Veteran Corps of Artillery of the State of New York, as well as a variety of inspiring patriotic toasts, a live band, dinner, and dancing. The evening's highlight will be the presentation of the Distinguished Patriot Award to **Governor George E. Pataki**.

Governor George E. Pataki is Senior Counsel at Norton Rose Fulbright LLP, where he focuses on environmental, energy and infrastructure law. He also is founder and Chairman of the Pataki-Cahill Group, a consulting firm that mainly advises on climate change, energy, and the environment. He served as governor of New York for three terms from 1995-2006, winning election in 1994 and reelection in 1998 and 2002. He led New York State's recovery efforts in the aftermath of the 9/11 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center.

**Tickets to the Ball are on sale through February 16** at www.frauncestavernmuseum.org/gw-ball. All funds raised from the event benefit Fraunces Tavern Museum, a program of SRNY which has been serving the New York City community for 115 years and is home of the historic site where George Washington delivered his farewell toast to his officers at the conclusion of the Revolutionary War on December 4, 1783.

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## **About Fraunces Tavern Museum**

Fraunces Tavern Museum's mission is to preserve and interpret the history of the American Revolutionary era through public education. This mission is fulfilled through the interpretation and preservation of the Museum's collections, landmarked buildings and varied public programs which serve the community. You can stand in the room where General George Washington bid farewell to his officers and explore eight additional galleries which focus on America's War for Independence and the preservation of early American history. To learn more, visit our website at frauncestavernmuseum.org.

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