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## **“Mother’s Day Aboard Royal Caribbean’s Liberty of the Seas” Raises Support for Child Sexual Abuse Victims**

Friends and supporters of Kristi House enjoyed an exclusive Mother’s Day on the deck of Royal Caribbean’s Liberty of the Seas, Sunday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, while raising essential funds for sexually abused children.

Guests were treated to a sampling of great entertainment and the ship’s finest libations and hors d’oeuvres with a cocktail reception, ice skating show, champagne toast and scrumptious luncheon. It was a day for families with children of all ages in attendance. They got their faces painted by Marcela Avila, and had their own special menu to choose from.

Royal Caribbean added to the excitement with a 7-Night Caribbean Cruise donated for raffle. RCL’s Juan Trescastro, a Kristi House Board member, chaired the event which was and completely underwritten by Royal Caribbean enabling 100% of the proceeds raised --\$15,000 total -- to go toward services for child sexual abuse victims.

Royal Caribbean International and Kristi House were the perfect combination for an exquisite, worry-free Mother’s Day and an opportunity to make a difference for sexually abused children in Miami.

Kristi House serves as Miami-Dade County’s Children’s Advocacy Center, responsible for coordination of all child sexual abuse cases in the county. Kristi

House is located on the University of Miami/Jackson Memorial Hospital campus at 1265 NW 12 Ave. Its south facility is located on U.S. 1 and 152 Street and its north facility is located at 18441 NW and 2nd Avenue. Founded in 1996, Kristi House has served more than 7,000 victims of child sexual abuse and their families. Thousands more are reached every year with education and prevention outreach programs. Services include case coordination/case management, therapy, comprehensive assessments, transportation, advocacy and emergency assistance. Visit [www.kristihouse.org](http://www.kristihouse.org) for more details.

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