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RICHARD TOMPKINS RECEIVES VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

ALBANY, N.Y. – Richard Tompkins, a volunteer at The Maplewood Nursing & Rehabilitation in Webster, New York has received the 2019 Senior Adult Volunteer of the Year Award from the New York State Health Facilities Association/New York State Center for Assisted Living (NYSHFA/NYSCAL). The award was presented on May 7th at the 2019 NYSHFA/NYSCAL Awards Banquet during the Association's annual conference in Verona, NY.

Dick Tompkins has volunteered at The Maplewood Nursing & Rehabilitation for more than 15 years! From the first day he started volunteering in their maintenance department, he has made a huge difference in what they are able to achieve as a facility. Richard had an extensive background before retirement in building operations and he has brought that knowledge and expertise to The Maplewood. He is a hands-on person who works side by side with the maintenance crew on whatever comes their way. Dick's contributions have helped to produce a clean, well maintained building and grounds. Beyond the work Dick does with equipment, he has a special way with people. Everyone working in the building sees Dick as a father figure. He is very approachable and always willing to help. When it comes to working with residents and family members, he is top shelf!

"Dick's commitment and dedication to our facility is greatly appreciated," said Gregory Chambery, administrator of The Maplewood Nursing & Rehabilitation. "His volunteerism is truly exemplary and deserving of this prestigious award from NYSHFA/NYSCAL."

NYSHFA/NYSCAL's Volunteer of the Year Awards Program recognizes outstanding volunteers serving in skilled nursing facilities. Winners receive an engraved obelisk and were invited to attend the NYSHFA/NYSCAL annual conference.

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The New York State Health Facilities Association/New York State Center for Assisted Living (NYSHFA/NYSCAL) is a member-driven association of providers of long term care services, caring for individuals of all ages in proprietary, not-for-profit, and government-sponsored skilled nursing, post-acute, rehab, adult care and assisted living communities across the state of New York. NYSHFA/NYSCAL is dedicated to assisting its members in achieving excellence in the provision of efficient and effective quality long term care services through leadership, professional development and active involvement in the shaping of public policy.