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## Astor Appoints New Board Chair

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**Rhinebeck, NY** – James M. Raimo Sr. was elected Chair of the Board of Directors of Astor Services for Children & Families, a nonprofit organization that provides behavioral and educational services to more than 6,000 at-risk children and their families in 33 locations in the Mid-Hudson Valley and the Bronx.



Raimo is Vice President for Facilities & Operations at Mount Saint Mary College in Newburgh, N.Y., and has extensive governance experience, having served on the boards of several community-based organizations, including Catholic Charities Community Services of Orange County. In addition, Raimo has been a member of the Knights of Columbus for more than 35 years. He has served as Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight and Treasurer of the Chapel Corners Club. He has also served as President and Treasurer of the Newburgh Rotary Club.

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Upon his appointment, Raimo said, "It's an honor to work with my fellow Board members to support the dedicated staff at Astor. The wonderful, life-changing work that Astor does with children and families helps make our communities stronger. I am honored to be able to serve as Board Chair for this organization that is changing so many lives." He went on to say that he is "sincerely grateful to our outgoing Co-

Chairs, Ann Armater and David Crenshaw, Ph.D., for their strong and visionary leadership during their tenure."

"The Astor family feels very fortunate to have Jim as our new Board Chair. He brings not only a wealth of knowledge and leadership experience to this position, but his dedication to, and compassion for the children and families we serve are at the core of all his hard work on our behalf, and for this we are especially grateful," said Jim McGuirk, Ph.D., CEO, Astor Services for Children & Families.

Raimo is a graduate of Marist College in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., with a Master's in Public Administration, a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, and a Paralegal Certificate. He and his wife Carol have three children, James, Carly and Jack, and reside in Hyde Park, N.Y.

## **About Astor:**

Since 1953, Astor Services for Children & Families (formerly The Astor Home for Children) has been providing behavioral and educational services in a caring environment where children and their families find strength, healing, hope and trust. Now serving more than 6,000 children and families annually in over 33 locations, Astor's current range of services in the Hudson Valley (Dutchess, Orange and Ulster counties) and the Bronx include: Residential Programs (for children ages 5-14 who have severe behavior and mental health challenges); Early Childhood Programs (in Dutchess County, Astor operates The Early Head Start and Head Start programs, which are federal early childhood programs for low-income families); and Community-Based Behavioral Health and Prevention Services (outpatient mental health services).

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