

## THANK YOU! For...

- ❖ Believing in GLOBAL's Transformative Work and for Supporting our AcceptAbility Gala!
- **❖** Believing in a brighter future for our loved ones with Down syndrome!

## **SUMMARY OF RECENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS!**

- Research: GLOBAL's advocacy, and our research at the Crnic Institute and the Alzheimer's & Cognition Center, resulted in the first NIH National Down Syndrome Data Coordinating Center, the first clinical trial to treat immune conditions specifically for those with Down syndrome, the first clinical trial to address Down Syndrome Regression Disorder, and the first clinical trial to test a promising Alzheimer's drug in young adults with Down syndrome.
- Medical Care: Our Sie Center for Down Syndrome at Children's Hospital Colorado provided excellent medical care for 2,200+ children with Down syndrome from 33 states and 10 countries.
  - GLOBAL and the American Academy of Pediatrics established a long-term collaboration resulting in the translation of their important guidelines for children with Down syndrome. In addition, the GLOBAL Adult Guideline, the first evidence-based medical care guidelines for adults published in *JAMA* (*Journal of American Medical Association*), is now available in English, Spanish, Japanese, Italian, Albanian, and Swahili.
- Lobbying and Advocacy: Our leadership saw the Down syndrome research budget at the NIH reach \$258M this year over the baseline of just \$30M six years ago We are grateful to our Congressional champions, self-advocates, and friends at the NIH!
- ❖ <u>Be Beautiful Be Yourself Fashion Show:</u> We celebrated our 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our award-winning event honoring Quincy Jones Awardees Bobby Farrelly and Madison Tevlin, Ambassador Grace Brennan, 21 gorgeous models, and hosted 1,500 attendees. <u>Click on here for highlights</u>.
- AcceptAbility Gala: Last June, GLOBAL held its annual AcceptAbility Gala, DC's largest fundraiser for people with Down syndrome. Representatives Katherine Clark (D-MA) and Pete Stauber (R-MN) received GLOBAL's highest honor, the Quincy Jones Exceptional Advocacy Award, for their strong advocacy in Congress on behalf of people with Down syndrome. GLOBAL awardee alumni, Representative Cathy McMorris Rodgers (R-WA), and Representative Robert Aderholt (R-AL) provided keynotes and introduced the night's honorees. Click here for highlights.

## 2024 ACCEPTABILITY GALA

Reception and dinner followed by an inspiring program with important congressional speakers, awardees, musical headliner, and inclusive dance troupe.

- ❖ SAVE THE DATE: Thursday, May 9, 2024 Marriott Marquis Washington, DC
- Ambassador: Isla Eager
- Keynote & Honorees: Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers, Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro, Congressman Tom Cole; Honorees Congressman Richard Hudson and Congresswoman Lois Frankel!
- Entertainment & Emcees: Jordin Sparks, Grammy-nominated, multi-platinum, singer/songwriter and actress; Kyra Phillips, ABC News and John Roberts, Fox News