<u>MEDIA ALERT</u>





American Foundation of Savoy Orders and Save Venice to Host Cocktail Reception in honor of H.R.H. Prince Emmanuel Philibert of Savoy, Prince of Venice



The reception will be held in solidarity with the conservation efforts in Venice following the historic November Floods

The American non-profit organizations American Foundation of Savoy Orders Youth Program Chairman Joseph Giminaro, and the Young Friends Steering Committee of Save Venice led by philanthropist and activist Lizzie da Trindade-Asher, will host a joint cocktail reception in honor of H.R.H.Prince Emmanuel Philibert of Savoy, Prince of Venice. The cocktail reception will be held to raise awareness of conservation efforts in Venice following the extreme floods (acque alte) that devastated Venice in November. The invitation-only event will take place on Thursday, December 12, 2019 from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM at 10 Corso Como, 200 Front Street, South Street Seaport, New York City. Prince Emmanuel Philibert of Savoy is head of the Council of the Savoy Dynastic Orders.

The Charity, Save Venice has jump-started their efforts with the creation of an **Immediate Response Fund** for artistic and cultural heritage recovery. The Embassy of Italy in Washington DC and Save Venice are partnering to raise funds for the Immediate Response Fund, which will support urgent relief efforts and preventative conservation. Donations can be made at savevenice.org/donate by selecting the Immediate Response Fund, and will be matched by Save Venice, dollar for dollar, up to \$100,000 through February 2020.

About The American Foundation of Savoy Orders, Incorporated

The American Foundation of Savoy Orders, Incorporated, a U.S. charitable 501(c) (3) organization, is a NGO in Roster Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations. It has three endowments: charitable causes, educational programs and an operating fund. Its Savoy Orders Pigott Scholarship was established to provide financial aid to students in the humanities and international studies. Annual grants are also made to educational programs, hospice care facilities, orphanages and programs supporting disabled veterans.

In order to raise funds for the support of its activities, the Savoy Foundation sponsors a winter event, Savoy Ball of New York (Ballo di Savoia), a spring event, Festa della Primavera in New York City and the Notte di Savoia Los Angeles on the West Coast. It also confers an annual Chivalry Award, which honors individuals whose humanitarian work, public service and exemplary conduct have contributed significantly to the betterment of the community and world. Its goal is to bring public recognition to individuals whose principles, values, civil conduct and humanitarian accomplishments provide inspiration to current and future generations. Members of the Italian Royal Family, headed by His Royal Highness Prince Victor Emmanuel of Savoy, actively support, attend and lend their names through formal patronage of these Savoy Foundation events.

About The American Delegation of Savoy Orders

The American Delegation of Savoy Orders, including the United States of America, is a part of the Dynastic Orders of the Royal House of Savoy, among the oldest orders of chivalry in the world. The Savoy Orders are headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland and have 35 Delegations worldwide that support the ongoing charitable works of these ancient Dynastic Orders of Knighthood and Merit. Their origins and their principles, traditions and humanitarian goals date back a thousand years. HRH Prince Victor Emmanuel, Prince of Naples and Duke of Savoy, is Head of the House of Savoy and Grand Master of the Savoy Orders, He is the great, great grandson of King Victor Emmanuel II, Italy's first reigning sovereign, who united the nation of Italy under his rule between 1861 and 1870. The Prince's father, King Umberto II, was Italy's last reigning sovereign. He died in 1983.

For more information about American Foundation of Savoy Order, please visit:

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About Save Venice

Save Venice is the leading American non-profit organization dedicated to preserving the artistic heritage of Venice, Italy for the world. Founded in response to the floods of 1966, the worst in recorded history, and incorporated in 1971, Save Venice has since worked tirelessly to preserve, protect, and promote the art and culture of Venice and has funded the conservation of more than 550 projects comprising over 1,000 individual artworks. In 2015, Save Venice established the Rosand Library & Study Center in Venice, creating a nexus for the research of Venetian art, history, and conservation. Save Venice also provides grants for fellowships, exhibitions, and publications to advance Venetian scholarship and conservation.

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