

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thanks to the team at The Marvin, the 'essential workers'

Labor Day is more than just a day off or a day for barbecues. It's a time to celebrate the important contributions working people make to our economy and our social well-being. Labor Day 2020 brought special circumstances as the world faces the COVID-19 pandemic. Social distancing changes the way we are able to celebrate the holiday this year. But it also reinforces the importance of recognizing the critical contributions that so many workers make in the economy and overall well-being. It is important that we all recognize and thank the first responders and essential workers.



Community VOICES

As Executive Director of Under One Roof, the not-for-profit owner, sponsor and operator of The Marvin and The Marvin Children's Center, I want to take this opportunity to recognize and express our gratitude to all of The Marvin Staff and contract personnel for their dedication, compassion, professionalism and commitment. They are truly the "essential workers" who provide the quality programs and services for our senior adult residents, their families, the children in our preschool and the community.

While the COVID-19 pandemic created unprecedented challenges and required changes in procedures and protocols, all of the staff and personnel working at The Marvin were committed to ensuring the health and safety of everyone we serve. Our congregate housing operates 24/7/365 — and we were successful in operating while all residents and staff remained healthy. Our preschool program took a needed break, but has been providing quality services since July.

Our staff may not always come to mind when one thinks of "Essential Workers." But each one is truly an essential part of The Marvin "Family" — and we could not provide the excellence in all we do without them.

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