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Dear Friends:

It is with deepest sadness that we share with you that our dear friend, wise counsel and respected partner Kassie Seetaram suffered an untimely death on Saturday January 23rd after succumbing to a massive heart attack.

Kassie Seetaram
Treasurer,
Chief Financial and
Administrative Officer

Kassie was a friend and mentor to so many within the Gould Foundation Family and his wisdom has been the bedrock for many organizations. Kassie joined the Foundation Family over a decade ago beginning as Director of Finance at Clearpool. He went on to become Vice President of Finance at Sponsors for Educational Opportunity and ultimately served as Chief Financial and Administrative Officer at the Edwin Gould Foundation. During the early years of his career Kassie worked with the NYC Mission Society and Jobs for Youth.

Kassie was a gentleman of the highest integrity and a guide to many providing sound advice. He truly led by example as a devoted husband to his wife Adriana and joyful and proud father to his children Victoria, Heather, Shara, and Bobby. Kassie's family, friends and extended family are vast and deep and we all are richer having been enveloped by his kindness and strength.

We will miss him deeply-- his warm smile, kind heart and giving spirit.



Cynthia Rivera Weissblum
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